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Fun in the House.

A TARIFF MOVEMENT.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Daily Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

The failure of the House to take up the Tariff, in Committee of the Whole to-day, is considered a defeat of that project for the Session.

The Texas Sentinels say Texas won't accept the Texas Debt bill in the shape it passed the House, even if satisfactory to her creditors. The Senate will probably refuse to concur in the House amendments, and then, possibly, the House may recede. The chances, however, are very slim.

An Eastern Democratic Senator, a warm friend of the French Spoliation bill, declares to-night that the bill certainly will be vetoed. I fear this is too true.

The President sent to the Senate to-day, on the act of Mr. Owen, the correspondence in relation to the impressment of FRANCIS W. RICE, late Consul at Acapulco, in Mexico. I understand the papers make out a perfect case against the Mexican Government.

Chancellor WALWORTH is here to take testimony in the great Railroad Spike case of BURDEN vs. Cornelius. Evidence to be received as regards damages, &c. S.

TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS....Second Session.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

Mr. SUMNER presented the memorial of the citizens of Portsmouth, Mass., asking for the repeal of the Fugitive Slave act, the abolition of Slavery in the District of Columbia, and the prohibition of Slavery in the territories.

Mr. BROOKE—Is this all they want?

Mr. SUMNER—That is the beginning.

Mr. [illegible] introduced a bill to authorize certain public works in Massachusetts.

Read twice and placed on the calendar.

Mr. CHASE presented the petitions of the citizens of Wilton and Wyoming counties, Ohio, praying for the passage of a law prohibiting Slavery in the Territories, and that he should call up the bill offered by him last session, to prohibit Slavery in the Territories, at the earliest practicable day.

Mr. BENJAMIN introduced a bill from the Committee on Commerce, stating it provided for the changing of the name of a schooner from the unfortunate name of Thanksgiving to the more fortunate one of *A. G. Brown.* (Laughter.) Passed.

Mr. SEWARD introduced a bill to remove the obstructions at Hell Gate. Also, a bill to improve the piers at the mouth of the Genesee River.

Mr. MALLORY introduced a bill to improve the bar at Apalachicola, Florida.

U. S. CIRCUITS IN CALIFORNIA.

The bill establishing the United States Circuit Court for California was then taken up.

Mr. BENJAMIN said he had examined the subject since yesterday, and could not support the measure.

Mr. OWEN said—We have been trying to get a United States Judge for two years, but cannot do it. Something we must have, and on this bill comes from the judicial organ of this body, I think it ought not to be objected to.

Mr. GWIN—The assembly will not be permanent, but will answer the temporary necessity of the case.

Mr. BIGLER agreed with Mr. GWIN. The waste of this is, we shall have a United States Court on the Pacific, with a Judge who is not a Judge of the Supreme Court. Some think this is an entering wedge by which, hereafter, the Supreme Court Judges may be released from Circuit duty. If that be the case, I am glad of it; I would disembarrass the Judges from that duty now.

Mr. BRIGHT—The present situation of California imperatively demands a measure similar to that proposed. The salary should be $4,000; if more, it would be a production against those of Judges of Supreme Court.

Mr. BENJAMIN—Why can't we have an additional Court with Circuit powers?

Mr. BELL—That would be a greater anomaly than the bill proposes.

Mr. WILSON held the condition of California demanded this or some equivalent measure, as the judicial business of that State was increasing.

Mr. DOUGLAS said the Senate had already refused a general measure to discharge the Judge from Circuit duty. He was opposed to this measure, because it effected indirectly what the Senate had determined should not be done. The Senate had refused to pay the Judge more than the salary of a Judge of the Supreme Court, and he moved that the bill be postponed till to-morrow.

HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS.

The bill appropriating $200,000 for deepening the channel of the Potomac River, to render the port of Baltimore accessible to United States war steamers.

Mr. [illegible] opposed the passage of the bill, and moved to strike the appropriation to $100,000. Amendment agreed to, yeas and nays [illegible].

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[illegible] Republic of Texas be not contemplated in the act of Congress of Sept. 9, 1850.

Question was raised that the bill could not be taken up, as but yesterday was assigned specially for its consideration.

The Chairman's decision that it was in order was sustained.

GREY-HEADED GENTLEMAN—A FUNNY TIME.

Mr. McMULLEN, in advocating the reduction of the amount to be appropriated, alluded to the remarks of the gentleman from Ohio, not the one (Mr. GREENE) who believed so loudly, he said, but to his clock-headed colleague, (Mr. TAYLOR.) (Laughter.)

Mr. TAYLOR, who was entering the Hall at this allusion was made to him, replied, he would rather have a clock head than a blockhead. (Immoderate laughter, intermingled with cries of "Good," "Good.")

Mr. McMULLEN—I rise to a personal explanation.

CHAIRMAN—Will the Committee hear the gentleman?

MANY VOICES—"Yes—No," "Order, hear him."

Mr. GREENE—It's a good natured proceeding, that's all.

Mr. McMULLEN, no objection new interposing, said—I intended nothing personally offensive, and no one ought to have known this better than the gentleman himself. I made use of the remark at which the gentleman exhibited an undue degree of excitement to produce a little levity. Neither of us ought to complain of our heads—if united, there would not be more brains than enough for one common head. (Excessive laughter.)

Mr. TAYLOR rose amidst cries of "Hear him, go on," saying, I am the last man to make an improper allusion, though the first to defend myself from offensive remarks. I take back what I said, after the personal explanation of my friend from Virginia, with whom I have had long intercourse. I think neither he nor myself, nor the whole House, have more sense than the country demands at our hands.

Cries of "Good, well said." (Excessive and prolonged laughter.)

After some further action on the bill, the Committee rose.

AMENDMENTS.

Question was stated on agreeing to the amendment of Mr. JONES of Tenn., to reduce the amount to be appropriated from eight millions and one half to six millions five hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

At the instance of J. C. ALLEN, the rule was read which provides that no member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately or personally interested.

Mr. JONES' amendment was adopted by a vote of 120 against 68.

Mr. BAYLY offered a substitute for the bill requiring the Secretary of the Treasury to issue at any time after May next, to TEXAS, such portion of the stock mentioned in the act of September, 1850, as shall be equivalent in amount to the volume of claims against the United States. The sums of such issued to that State to be all cases to be equivalent in amount to the sums paid by the State in stock or money in discharge of the debts or liabilities for which releases are filed. Rejected, by a vote of 29 against 101.

PASSAGE OF THE BILL.

The bill was passed—Yeas 116, Nays 42.

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The bill provides in lieu of $5,000,000, payable to Texas in five per cent. United States Stock—the issuing of which Stock was restricted by the law of Sept. 9, 1850,—$5,250,000, to be apportioned among the holders *pro rata*, the interest to be determined by the existing laws of Texas. The holders and the State of Texas to release all claims against the United States for and on account of the securities. The act not to take effect until assented to by the Legislature of Texas, nor until it pass a law withdrawing and abandoning all claims and demands against the United States, growing out of the Indian depredations or otherwise.

Mr. HOUSTON moved the House go into Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, giving notice if the motion should prevail, he would move to take up the bill reducing the Tariff.

Mr. BOYCE—Does the gentleman regard this a test question?

Mr. HOUSTON—I should like it to be so regarded.

Question decided affirmatively. Yeas, 104; Nays, 97.

YEAS—Messrs. Abercrombie, Aiken, James C. Allen of Ill., Willis Allen of Ill., Appleton, Ashe, Bayly of Va., Bennett, Bennett, Bevins, Bocock, Bliss, Boyce, Breckinridge, Bridges, Brown, Bryan, Cadwalader, Campbell, Carpenter, Chandler, Chase, Chastain, Christian, Clark, Clingman, Cobb, Cockerill, Cole, Cox, Crocker, Cumming, Cutting, Davis of Md., Davis of Ind., Davis of N. J., Davis of Ohio, Dick, Dimick, Dodge, Dowdell, Dowdell, Dunham, Edmundson, Edwards, Ellis, Ellison, Fenton, Fickle, Fuller, Gamble, Goodrich, Gorman, Greenwood, Grow, Guetner, Hamilton, Harlan of Ind., Harris of Ala., Harris of Ill., Harris of Md., Hastings, Hendricks, Hawes, Hibbard, Hillyer, Hoard, Hoffman, Johnson, Jones of N. Y., Jones of Tenn., Jones of La., Kaine, Kerr, Kittredge, Kurtz, Latham, Letcher, Lewis, McMullen, McGregor, Maclay, Letcher, May, Millson, Morrison, Murray, Nichols, Olds, Oliver of N. Y., Orr, Packer, Parker, Parkhurst of N. Y., Parker of La., Phillips, Pratt, Preston, Pringle, Purviance, Ready, Ricaud of Md., Richardson, Robbins of Ohio, Robbins, Shannon, Shaw, Shower, Smithson, Speaks of Va., Smith of Ala., Smith of Tenn., Stanton of Ky., Stevens of Mich., Stuart of Ohio, Thurston, Walbridge, Walker, Walsh, Watson, Wells, Wentworth of Ill., Wheeler, Wright of Miss.

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TARIFF BILL.

The House then went into Committee, and Mr. HOUSTON moved to take up the following Tariff bill.

A bill reducing the duties on imports, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on and after the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, there shall be a reduction of twenty per centum on the rates of duty imposed by the act entitled "An act reducing the duty on imports, and for other purposes," approved July thirtieth, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, on the goods, wares, and merchandise, imported from foreign countries, enumerated and provided for in Schedules A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H, and also those provided for in the three articles of said act, except as hereinafter provided.

15%	20	25	30	35	10	10	5	Free
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
20	25	30	35	40	15	15	5	Free

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the manufactures and articles of silk, or of which silk shall be a component material, now chargeable, provided for, shall be transferred to Schedule C; that the manufactures and articles of flax, or of which flax shall be a component material, not otherwise provided for, and articles of all kinds, shall be transferred to Schedule D; that wool, unmanufactured, shall be transferred to Schedule G; that flax unmanufactured, silk raw, with or without the gum, imported in the condition in which it comes from the cocoon, not being doubled, twisted, or advanced in manufacture in any way; tea, vanilla, and sisal grass, gum, and other vegetable substances, unmanufactured, not otherwise provided for, ice, spirits, ice spirits, beer, porter, ale, wines, Provision hides; articles not in a crude state, used in dyeing or tanning, not otherwise provided for; all articles, crude, in bulk, or unmanufactured, and not otherwise provided for; all articles, crude, or unmanufactured, and not otherwise provided for; all articles, crude, or not advanced in manufacture, not otherwise provided for; all articles, crude, or not advanced in manufacture, not otherwise provided for; gunpowder or chlorate of potash, sulphur, sulphuric, crude or refined; salts, sulphate, nitrate, chlorate, chloride, muriate, iodine, and all other salts, not otherwise provided for; all articles used in medicine, not otherwise provided for; all articles used in manufacture, not otherwise provided for; all articles used in manufacture, not otherwise provided for; all articles used in manufacture

[illegible] TRIED ON HIS TRAVELS.

[illegible] of the Palace—The Grand Duke [illegible] Before the party was over—The Will of the Emperor—Italian Opera, [illegible] &c., &c.

Correspondence of New-York Daily Times.

FLORENCE, Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1855.

The festivities of Florentine fashion for the Winter were inaugurated on New-Year's evening, by a ball at the Palace. This building, as you know, is of historical note, having been founded early in the fifteenth century, by the vaunting LUCA PITTI, the opponent and rival of the MEDICI. He boasted that he would rear an edifice the court of which should contain the whole palace of his adversaries. Like many other buildings begun in ostentation, it ended in humiliation. Mr. PITTI undertook a house, for wiser or at least more daunting men to live in. It has in modern times undergone various modifications, and is now a clever second-rate residence for the sovereign. In proportions, solidity and [illegible], it is perhaps unequaled, but the color and cut of the stones give it the appearance of a prison or of some temple of the Inquisition. Still it is to me more palatial than the Tuileries, which might be a long and somewhat pretentious rope-walk. It is, after all, more known for the superb gallery of pictures it contains, than for its enshrining of the Grand Duke LEOPOLD II.

Americans desirous of being presented to this potentate and of attending a series of court balls, would, under ordinary circumstances, apply to their representative. But there is none of any grade whatever in Florence, except Mr. HAWES, whom nobody knows, and who rejoices in the title of United States Commercial Agent. He has no exequatur, and is recognized in no degree whatever by the Government. However, American travelers usually have a banker, and this banker is nine times out of ten Mr. MCQUAY, whose partner, by the way, was sometime ago exiled from Tuscany for circulating the Protestant Bible. Mr. MCQUAY makes out a list of applicants, and forwards it to the Chamberlain, who draws up the invitations in accordance with it. Everything goes smoothly enough, except that instead of being introduced by a countryman, you are introduced by an Italian, to whom you have introduced yourself in the antechamber. The Chamberlain, and indeed the Grand Duke and his family, on all these occasions speak to foreigners exclusively in French.

Some half a dozen rooms were open to the guests; the whole assembly consisted of about 400 persons. Three of the rooms have been fitted up recently, and were displayed on this occasion for the first time. One is upholstered with green, one with red, and one with blue and gold damask. Though small, they vie with the best apartments in the Tuileries in taste and magnificence of embellishment. All the furniture are products of Tuscan industry except the carpets, which are French exquisites. In the green-room is a cabinet of mosaic, of wonderful cost and beauty. In the blue-room the chandelier, of carved wood thickly gilt, excited universal admiration, certainly enhancing, in the grace of its forms and the general splendor of its effect, everything of the kind I have ever seen. The frames of the mirrors, fourteen inches wide, exhibit groups of human figures, flowers, fruit, foliage, exquisitely carved and so gilded as to appear solid gold. I imagine an artisan may, by its own manufactures alone, could surpass this suite of rooms in point of furniture and ornaments.

The reception took place in the red-room, the fire of the apartment giving to all present a somewhat infernal glow. Several ever-fat and florid ladies seemed to be in purgatory. The assembly, taken together, could not be said to present a regal aspect; it was not in appearance more than grand ducal. There was a large supply of little Austrian officers, in white pantaloons; a sprinkling of the Guard Noble, with crimson coats, having long pigtails and the appearance of silver lace; here and there a furred Hungarian and a red-bodied John Bull, with old diplomats, old Counts, old Princes, harlequined with crosses, ribbons and orders. Among the ladies were several Italian grandesses, and Austrian and Italian notabilities, with sonorous titles and historical souvenirs—all making very lean pretensions to beauty. There were about twenty Americans—the greater part ladies—numerous gentlemen having receded at the last moment, owing to their inability to buy, and their unwillingness to hire, a Court dress. Our lady women did not vie with the ladies of the Court in diamonds, but diamonds were of little account in comparison with the beauty which shone from the American corner—beauty of face and feature, mind—not beauty of health and of form, in which our young ladies are sadly deficient. They seem to want to enough to possess the charms given by nature, and neglect the requirement of those dependent upon exercise, diet, regularity, and a systematic course of bodily training. However, the American corner was a handsome corner, and I do not mean to deliver a lecture just now upon the misapprehension of physical principles and the neglect of out-door. Let us speak of the Grand Duke.

LEOPOLD II. is a man of fifty-five years, of ordinary height and ordinary appearance. He has grizzly, straight hair, parted and combed from to his head; his whiskers are a little bushy; his eye is pale and downcast, with spasmodic up-lifting of the lid, and sly, [illegible] expression. At a little distance, his face seems rather pockered and [illegible], but when he approaches and [illegible] upon his [illegible], he looks smooth enough. I have often noticed this kind of transformation in [illegible]. However, he might have been Mr. Jones, or Lawyer White, or Squire Pearson, or Deacon Barnard, provided they were dressed in a blue frock coat, so there is no [illegible] Beauty, the [illegible], with a little gold lace, a few stars, and a broad red sash.

The Grand Duchess is of the Naples family, and like all whom I have seen of that stock, is fair and light complexioned, with a prominent roman nose, and a general expression of sharpness. She was well powdered with diamonds and looked greatly and disagreeably [illegible].

The heir-apparent, Arch-Duke of Tuscany, is an awkward boy of about twenty, with a [illegible] gait. There is another younger Duke, but I did not notice him, and indeed I think it likely he was put to bed before the party [illegible].

The Duchess of Leuchtenberg was very easy, quiet and [illegible], and looked divinitage the [illegible] of a prison [illegible] of the Tuileries. There was less, also, of the look of constraint, uneasiness and perspiration, among the nobility and official portion of the guests, than [illegible] on such occasions. Many of them [illegible] Court [illegible] in [illegible] dresses, [illegible] with [illegible] and [illegible] in [illegible] and

NEW-YORK CITY.

A Video-Lecture—Slavery, by Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Mr. Emerson's evening, at the Broadway Tabernacle, Ralph Waldo Emerson delivered the eleventh of the course of Anti-Slavery Lectures before the New-York Anti-Slavery Society. There was a good attendance.

We, said he, here, he began, the third generation since our Brethren instituted the system of Slavery. The subject, he knew, was exhausted—hearers were getting tired of crying thief. That Slavery was a withering curse was unquestioned. It was a disease—a canker-core eating into the minds of the State; and when disease politic thus is present, a high state of general health cannot exist; and yet, known to be a disease, it was permitted. A Republic, too, professing to secure the greatest good of the greatest number, permitted it. Moreover, as though these poor people did not suffer enough, and were not plundered enough, a law was required to strip them even more.

This national law, made in time of weakness, enacted in complicity, was revived and had been made most stringent. It had become valid. Men, vaunted citizens, abetted the law. The Courts set to catch the slave and bring him back. But strongly guarded as is Slavery, and lawed into constitutionality, it will yield at last. Purging is need, and—the utmost permeating purging. To think, too, to find it here in our sunlight—in the land of schools—in the land of sermons—under the eye and protection of a Government in other respects most advanced and perfect in human progress.

The tone of society, the speaker continued, and the tone of the press on Slavery were an index of the general pulse. It was a society without faith, without aim, and skepticisms were scattered broadcast. Look at the young men growing up under this society. Many, liking to have something to do worthy of their high aspirations, shrink into the niche of some Government office, and wither, die of inanition. Of head, of intellect, there was enough; but, alas! it was perverted. Punsters there were, and not keen wits; rhymsters, and not poets; surface men, and not thinkers—originators. Great souls, broad cosmopolitan minds were needed. Time was when a heroic soul, enamored of the right, aspired to the attainment of the beautiful and true. Our young men do not reach to realities. Their ocean glasses take within their scope shows only. We send our boys to the university—but learn they there that fits them for life? Are they the stronger for it? The Speaker, after showing the importance of proper education and proper direction to the aims of young men and their bearing upon the solution of great State problems and the future destinies of the country, entered upon a long review of the present dominant political parties. They inspired, he said, no hope. Leading matters—the abolition of Slavery foment—were not urged. *Salus populi est suprema lex* was the motto. Politics had run very low; gentlemen of character keep aloof. It was becoming, in fact, if not already so, disreputable to meddle therewith. Merchants believe in nothing but trade; they loll in republican chairs; lay on luxurious lounges in our Tremonts, our Astors, our Girards; telegraph their wishes, their money commands, and this satisfies. So with the other pursuits. A few only venture into the actual peol—they talk little, big, much—get office and are shunned.

The introduction of human slavery into the United States was characterized by the speaker in the continuation of his remarks, as occurring at a period of lamentable occultation—a deed effected in ignorance. A lengthy description followed of the time of such introduction, the gradual growth of the institution, with various compromises introduced for its mitigation and toleration. The Missouri Compromise, the Fugitive Slave Law and Nebraska bill were dwelt upon with specialty and effect. He did not wonder that vulgar men applauded and upheld the Fugitive Slave Law. Judges striving to make it practical were denounced in unmeasured terms. An immoral law, he said, was on its very face void. Acts of the English Parliament, technically deemed omnipotent, had long been found to be attributed as to their effect by the common law, or in other words by common justice. It was absurd to enact a crime as right. The statutes in New-York was, not as to the right of the law, but was it constitutional. Judges feared politics with the Courts. Real Judges were not on the bench—God-like persons who loved the right. But the Fugitive Slave law, said their manifolds, said the lecturer, though they might temporarily infuse, would not be prolonged in their sway. When public men fail, private men will take the Government in their own hands. The sinews of the hearts of valiant men become weapons. The Bibles provided to show that through regard for them the people were swindled out of their liberties. The settlement of the Slavery question was referred to conclusion. Society, he said, was no fiction—men inspire each other—the masses may become fanatical with great aims—they are becoming inspired with the importance of the abolition of Slavery in the United States. Ere long men will be brought hand to hand and shoulder to shoulder to accomplish such end. Let a negotiation be once entered into—every star of the United States would twinkle; by constituted—each State would constitute in individual effort—the rich would give of their riches—the poor of their labor—a chimney tax would be raised and every effort and sacrifice undertaken—nothing in the magnitude and glory of the result to be attained. There is a Divine Providence rules—men see it—and hope.

After the lecturer sat down, in response to unanimous calls from the audience, Horace Greeley, Esq., briefly addressed the meeting.

Morrisania Railroad Meeting.

A meeting of delegates, appointed by villages on the line of the Harlem Railroad, was held at the Town House, in Lower Morrisania, Tuesday evening last. Notwithstanding the extreme severity of the weather, Messrs. Stevens & Sturm, of Mount Vernon; Wiel & Kurth, of West Mount Vernon; Fraser & McDonald, of Upper Mount Vernon; Alexander, of Fairmount; Stillman, of Morrisania; Merritt & Austin, of Melrose; and others, were present.

Mr. Merritt, of Melrose, was called to the Chair, and Mr. Stillman, of the Westchester County Journal, officiated as Secretary.

The Chairman stated that Directors of the Harlem Bridge Company would like to meet a Committee of the people above Harlem Bridge, with a Committee of their own.

Mr. Alexander moved that a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to confer with the Harlem Bridge Company, with a view to securing a free transit over Harlem River by inhabitants of Westchester County. Carried.

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Mr. Stevens remarked that the views of citizens of Mount Vernon were to form Associations in the villages of those in favor of a new road; and they further believe, the road should and will be built at a cost of not more than citizens have to pay to existing companies in three or four years. We are asked if it will pay interest on capital invested. I think it will. Let us make the shares few—not for stock-jobbing purposes—and it will pay. A five per cent. assessment on real estate would yield ten per cent. in the increase in the value of property; this would be more than four times the cost of building the road, otherwise the time will be more than six times the cost. Profit should be found in bringing inhabitants to the villages. Fifteen years ago the cry of "humbug" to the plan of creating villages now existing was raised, but it was just as early advisable to construct another road now as it then was to originate the villages. The people, by making a combination, can succeed. We should not submit to have the value of our property decreased by such injustice as the Harlem Company contemplate; let us say, and be prepared to support our words, Railroad Corporations have their rights, and we, who are property holders, have ours; and, where there is a will there is a way. Let the Committees already appointed confer with their friends, to gradually add to the number, and when the requisite amount is subscribed, let the Directors be called upon to construct the road.

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A separate road to meet the Second-avenue road from New-Rochelle can be run with one train, two locomotives, a conductor and a few brakemen, at one-half the expense of running the Harlem Railroad.

Mr. Stillman proposed that books should be provided to enter the names of those in favor of a new road, and the amount of their subscriptions.

Mr. Alexander said the citizens of Fairmount were not convinced of the feasibility of building a new road. They were willing to make some fair arrangement with the Harlem Company, but if this is not possible, they would join the New-Rochelle Company. He was not specially deputized to speak for all, but believed this to be the general sentiment. He and his neighbors were opposed to making war on the Harlem Railroad Company, and would take no action until it was ascertained what would be the action of the new Board of Directors.

Mr. Stevens would not counsel rash action, but believed the permanent prosperity of villages required a new road.

Mr. Sturm remarked that it had been deemed advisable that villagers would not act until they were obliged, but steps must be taken to prevent future oppression. We must combine, beginning with those communities not yet aggrieved. He moved to appoint a Committee of three to confer with the Second and Third-avenue Railroads, and make a proposition with reference to the new Railroad and the number of shares which can be subscribed for in the villages, and ascertain what facilities they would afford to such a scheme. Passed.

Messrs. Stevens, Bogart, with the privilege of adding a third, were appointed such Committee.

A gentleman from Harlem remarked that the old Companies were a broken reed to lean upon, and the villagers should build a road even, if for a temporary purpose. The Second and Third-avenue Cars run down to the City Hall about as quick as the Harlem trains. Special trains on the Second-avenue will run as quick as the Harlem trains, and the Second and Third-avenue Companies would join in aiding villagers to build a new road. Such a road would increase the value of property in four-fold ratio. The road should be built, if for no other purpose, to bring and keep the Harlem Company to terms.

After some desultory conversation, Mr. Stillman offered the following resolution, which was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to wait upon the Directors of the Harlem Railroad Company and offer as the unanimous of citizens the following proposition: That the yearly commutation from Morrisania shall be, for two trains each way per day, $35; for the first six months, $30; and for the second, $15; and for other villages in the same proportion; leaving to the discretion of Directors the charge for commutation on all the trains.

Messrs. Merritt, Stillman and Kurth were nominated such Committee.

On motion of Mr. Austin, the meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the Secretary, to receive the reports of Committees.

Fire Department Committee.

The Fire Department Committee of the Board of Aldermen met last evening, Alderman Howard in in the Chair.

Petition of John Guest, exempt fireman, for a discharge certificate.

Mr. Guest stated that he joined Engine Co. No. 16 in Jan. 1831; served nearly three years, when the engine was given to another company. He then did active duty with Engine Co. No. 7 for his full time, but neglected to take out his certificate.

The above facts were substantiated by Mr. Baker, an old fireman and ex-foreman of Engine Co. No. 6, and Mr. Watson, of Engine Co. No. 16.

The Committee reserved their decision, in order to examine the Firemen's Register.

Petition of Hose Company No. 46, to be reinstated in the Fire Department.

This Company became disbanded by neglect of the officers to send in the usual return, according to law.

The Committee agreed to reinstate the members of said Company, with the exception of those who are not 21 years of age, and, consequently, ineligible.

Application of Engine Companies Nos. 23 and 32, to have the engine of Engine Company No. 16, lately disbanded, assigned to them.

The Committee decided to refer the matter to the Chief Engineer, with power, there being numerous applications for paid engine.

In consequence of several alarms of fire during the day and evening, the Committee were compelled to adjourn until the regular meeting night.

The Hard-Shells.

A meeting of the Democratic Republican Young Men's (Hard-Shell) Committee for 1855 was held at No. 663 Broadway last evening. Jas. Parker, Esq., of the Fifteenth Ward, presided as Chairman *pro tem.*, and Messrs. John King, of the Twenty-first Ward, and Arthur D. Creighton, of the Eighth Ward, were chosen Secretaries *pro tem.* After the transaction of some preliminary business, the meeting, on motion of C. Godfrey Gunther, adjourned over to Monday next, at the same place, when the Committee will be permanently organized.

Mayor's Block Book.

The keen-cutting, nipping weather of yesterday, with the mercury 10° below zero, did not chill the ardor of citizens intent on the work of reform. As usual the Complaint Book was in demand.

G. Walter, a German, complains that Dreyer & Kaufman, keepers of an Intelligence office, No. 406 Broadway, in the Basement, have defrauded him out of $1 by false representations, and are in the habit of thus entrapping persons seeking employment in the City. The Mayor earnestly desires to be refunded and the license revoked.

James Gordon Bennett, of the *Herald*, complains of the crowd of newsboys and loafers that congregate around the doors of the office, blocking up the doors; and also that the Police neglect their duty by not driving said boys and rowdies away.

That groups of disorderly young men collect at the corner of Third-avenue and East Twenty-fourth-street, to the great annoyance of the neighbors.

That the yard and premises No. 100 Stanton-street is in a very unhealthy condition, and is kept so in violation of the City ordinances.

That the sidewalk on the south side of Twenty-fifth-street, between Sixth and Seventh-avenues, is constantly encumbered with a quantity of ashes and garbage, rendering it almost impassable.

That the hydrant in Broome-street, corner of Bowery, has been raised several inches above the sidewalk, and is a stumbling block to every person passing that way.

That the alley-way in the rear of Nos. 125, 129 and 127 Sullivan-street, is rendered extremely filthy by the occupants throwing dirt of all kinds into the street.

That the gangways behind the basements of Essex Market, fronting Grand-street, are in such an awful condition that it is almost impossible for the occupants of said premises to get water from the hydrant located therein, the gangway being used by the market people as a privy.

That Nos. 161, 163, 165 and 167 are vacant lots and unfenced, where a large quantity of ashes are deposited every day, which are no sooner thrown down than a battalion of German rag and coal pickers attack them, filling the air with dust, almost blinding persons as they pass along.

That the iron covers of the vault before the *Sun* office, in Nassau-street, are slippery and dangerous to life.

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Board of Councilmen....Feb. 7.

The President, Daniel D. Conover, Esq., in the Chair.

The Board received and referred the following

PETITIONS:

Of various persons to have the lamps lighted in the streets during the entire night. Of Burr, Wakeman and others, for grant to lay gas pipes, &c. Of Watts Brady, for a well and pump in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, between Third and Fourth-avenues. Of Baltic Hose Company No. 35, for donation to repair loss sustained by fire. Of F. G. Clarke and others, to place a culvert at the southeast corner of Twenty-second-street and Sixth-avenue. Of foreman of Engine Company No. 24, to have engine altered. Of Engine Company No. 51, for a new engine and house. Of Dennis French and others, to have the New City Hall built in Madison-square. Of David D. Blanorie, Jr., and others, to have Ganesvoort-street filled up from Tenth to Thirteenth-avenues.

CENTER MARKET DRILL-ROOM.

Of A. S. Vosburgh and others, of the 71st Regiment, asking appropriations for repairs of Centre Market Drill-room. Referred.

NEW-YORK JUVENILE ASYLUM.

Of the Directors of the New-York Juvenile Asylum, for increased facilities and accommodations to carry out the object of that institution. Referred.

Of sundry persons, to discontinue or suspend the opening of Eleventh-avenue.

RESOLUTIONS.

Councilman Mathew—That the counsel for the Corporation be and he is hereby requested to prepare and send to this Board a proper form for subpœnas and such other papers as he shall think will be needed, under the recent Act, to enable the Common Council to take testimony. Adopted.

Councilman Cornell—To repair permanently the Thirty-fourth-street, between Second and Third-avenues. Referred.

CONTRACT TO BE AWARDED.

Councilman Mathew—To appropriate $500 for a full length portrait of Ex-Governor Seymour, the same to be placed in the Governor's Room of the City Hall. Adopted.

THE POOR AND WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Councilman Floyd—That the Committee on celebrating Washington's Birthday provide a dinner on that occasion for 600 of our poor respectable and aged citizens. Referred.

THE CORPORATION & GAS COMPANY.

Councilman Pinckney—Requesting the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to what action may be necessary to enable the Common Council to purchase the mains, &c., &c., of the New-York and Manhattan Gas Companies. Adopted.

GARBAGE.

Councilman Serle—That the owners of tenement houses be compelled to keep one or more garbage boxes in front of each tenement house, and that an ordinance be passed punishing the theft or destruction of said boxes, and that the Committee on Cleaning Streets be directed to report a suitable form of box to be used. Referred.

CLINTON MARKET.

Councilman Wainright—That all permits given to stands in the part of Clinton Market known as the shed over Spring-street walk be annulled, and that he keep said part of the Market for the accommodation of country people bringing produce for sale. Referred.

Councilman Wandell—That the Street Commissioner furnish a list of persons employed by him, the prices paid for the different kinds of such service, the wages paid inspectors, and the nature and remuneration of such employment. Laid over.

Councilman Hart—To repair dock at the foot of Eleventh-street. Referred.

NEW BUILDING IN THE PARK.

Councilman Van Cott—That the Board of Supervisors be authorized to erect a suitable building between the present Hall of Records and the building on the northeast corner of the Park—the same to be used by the Surrogate or Comptroller. Referred.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE.

Councilman Pinckney—To appoint a Special Committee to superintend the exhibition of the Steam Fire Engine. Adopted.

The Board adjourned to Friday.

Board of Education.

The first regular meeting of the Board of Education, under their new organization, was held yesterday at 5 o'clock, at the Hall of the Board. Wm. H. Neilson, Esq., President, in the Chair.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communications were received, and referred to appropriate Committees:

From the School Officers of the Eighteenth Ward, nominating Andrew Bruner as Trustee of said Ward. From the Tenth Ward, nominating Jacob Raynor. From the Twelfth Ward, two communications, nominating respectively Henry Patterson and James Dallis.

REPORTS.

Of Auditing Committee, submitting $82 22 for sundry expenses. Adopted. Of Committee on Finance, recommending an appropriation of $40,000 for support of Ward Schools during the ensuing year. Of same Committee, submitting $90,000, amount of payments estimated necessary to be paid on and after the 10th of February, inst. Reports adopted. Of Committee on Supplies, soliciting an appropriation of $12,000 for the Book Depository. Referred to Finance Committee. Of Committee on Repairs, recommending $2,000 appropriation for the shop. Referred as the above.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Resolution that the Principals of the Ward Schools report the number and condition of books in use in the departments under their charge. Referred to Committee on Course of Studies.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE BOARD.

The Finance Committee submitted a report as to appropriations for School purposes during the ensuing year, and recommended for adoption the following resolutions submitted at the last regular meeting of the Board, and then laid on the table:

Resolved, That the sum of $92,840 61 be reserved and set apart out of the School moneys of 1855, to meet the balances of appropriations made prior to the 1st of January, 1855.

Resolved, That the sum of $[illegible] be hereby reserved and set apart from the school moneys of the year 1855 for the payment of salaries of teachers and janitors in the Ward Schools, to be paid only in accordance with the by-laws of the Board, and pursuant to appropriations.

Resolved, That the sum of $[illegible] be reserved and set apart for the following named purposes, to be paid only pursuant to appropriations, to wit:

For the support of the Free Academy	$[illegible]
For the support of the Normal Schools	[illegible]
For the support of the Evening Schools	[illegible]
For salaries of Superintendents and Assistants	[illegible]
For salaries of Clerk of the Board and Assistants	[illegible]
For salaries of Superintendent of School Buildings	[illegible]
For Rent of Premises occupied for School purposes	[illegible]
For Repairs of the Free Academy	[illegible]
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools, including current repairs	[illegible]
For purchase of Supplies, Books, Stationery, &c.	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

The whole amount of the appropriations for the year before mentioning, after deducting the same, it will be perceived, amounts to but $[illegible] to be disbursed by the Board on account of the year.

The report and resolutions were adopted.

Mr. Green offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk, under the provisions of the Committee on Finance, prepare and present to the Board at every meeting, a statement in tabular form, showing in a clear and intelligible manner:

1. The amount designated by the annual estimate for each specific object.
2. The amount appropriated by the Board up to the time the statement is presented for each specific object.
3. The amount actually expended at the time the statement is presented for each object.
4. The balance unappropriated.
5. The balance unexpended.
6. Whether, and if so, what surplus or deficiency is probable in the amount estimated for any particular object, to be based on developments which may be made up to the time such statement is presented.

Mr. Phillips moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Smith moved its reference to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Green stated the object of the resolution to be to enable the Board at each meeting to understand definitely how its finances stood, and to be guided accordingly in any proposed appropriations.

Mr. Shannon said that during the past year aspersions had been frequent outside, charging inconsiderate and excessive appropriations. It was well to let it be understood that the present Board used every precaution to resist undue expenditures.

Mr. Smith thought it best the Finance Committee should pass upon the matter first, and report the necessity, if any, and advantages of such a tabular statement.

The motion to refer prevailed.

PIANOS IN THE SCHOOLS.

A prolonged discussion arose on this subject consequent upon the presentation of a resolution by Commissioner Hibbard, that the President refrain from signing checks for the payment of any Pianoforte in the schools under the charge of the Board unless previously ordered by the Board. Referred to Committee on Course of Studies.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. West, and, together with the entire subject as to furnishing Pianos to the Ward Schools, referred to a Special Committee.

Resolved, That a Select Committee of five be appointed to ascertain and report to the Board the number of Schools or Departments under the jurisdiction of the Board not having Piano-fortes, and the probable cost for furnishing such Schools with the same.

The Chairman named as the Committee, Messrs. West, Fowler, Hibbard, Rutherford, Underhill.

The Board adjourned for two weeks.

THE AFRICAN SLAVE-TRADE.

Charge of Fitting Out a Slaver.

Before United States Commissioner Morton.

The following additional evidence was elicited yesterday in the case of Wm. C. Valentine, who stands charged with fitting out the slaver *Julia Moulton* from this port:

Henry A. W. Barclay, a witness for the defendant, cross-examined by the District Attorney.—I reside at my father's house, No. 1 College-place; I am not engaged in any business at present; my business is that of a ship-builder; when last engaged I took the contract for building a schooner, as I understand, for the Dominicans Government; I made the contract with Messrs. H. C. Bowdoin & Co., No. 13 Beaver-street; she was completed eight or nine months ago; she was built at Williamsburg; since then I have been attending to my own business, sometimes with Jacob Aitkin, sometimes at farming and sometimes with shipbuilders; I have made applications to foreign governments to get contracts; I have known witness Willis by that same name November last; I made my acquaintance with him at the end of 1849 or beginning of 1850, under another name which I have forgotten; he introduced himself to me as Willis in November last; I first saw him on board of a British brig, the name of which I forget; by referring to books I can give you her name; she was lying at Atlantic Docks, Brooklyn; to my knowledge she was lying there four or five days, during which time I furnished repairs for her; I first made Mr. Valentine's acquaintance when he was introduced to me as friend of her; she was lying at the foot of Rapelye-street; she was a vessel of 250 or 300 tons.

Q.—What was the amount of your bill for repairs on the vessel? A.—There was one bill of $41 or $42; I was never paid for those repairs; I was formerly in the habit of going to Mr. Valentine's store when I had business; I used to buy stores of him; he lived in my farm; Mr. Valentine has collected bills for me against Australian ships; I have been at Mr. Valentine's house four times since my first acquaintance, and have seen Mr. Valentine there; Mr. Valentine and I went in the cars from Jersey City to New-Brunswick, and from there took horses and carriage to my farm; he went with me twice; I am on fair terms of acquaintance with Mr. Valentine; the conversation which I stated I had with Willis was at the City Hall Billiard-room, in Barclay-street; it was in the latter part of the day; in the conversation Willis referred to the testimony he gave in the case of Capt. Smith; we went that night to Thomas Faulkner's, an eating saloon in Howard-street.

Capt. William A. Hinchman, a witness for the defendant, cross-examined by Mr. McKeon.—I have known Mr. Valentine since last May or June; I have been in the habit of going to his store in relation to the *Extra*, a vessel which I sailed for him; she sailed to Jamaica; I made only one voyage for him; the voyage was concluded in August last; I have visited his store several times since; since then I had charge of the *Monsarrat*, and put her in repair; she was owned by Wm. A. Chapman; I have not sailed any vessel since; aside from the preparation of the *Monsarrat* for sea, I have not been engaged in any business; she was prepared for sea in September last.

Q.—Was there not in Mr. Valentine's office a picture of the vessel called the *Extra*? A.—There was.

Q.—What was her size? A.—About 195 tons.

Q.—What was her build? A.—She was a brig.

Q.—What became of her? A.—She left New-York and went to Baltimore, as I saw by the papers; I know she was sold; the purchasers were Lowbacher and Scheffer; I have seen her reported since in Vera Cruz; there were conversations on my going here again; with Mr. Valentine; I expected to go to Baltimore and Jamaica with her, after the *Monsarrat* was ready for sea, and after the *Extra* was sold I was in the habit of going to Valentine's office; I had no business transactions with him; I do not know the Portuguese Consul; I have been at Mr. Valentine's house; I never saw the Portuguese Consul, except when he was a witness on the stand in the case of Captain Smith; I have seen Rodriguez at Mr. Valentine's office; I attended the trial of Captain Smith from day to day; I cannot say whether I saw Mr. Valentine from day to day, but I saw him; I think I saw him at the trial at the Court; I don't think I have had any conversations with Mr. Valentine either before or after the trial about Captain Smith; Captain Smith had, as my uncle told me, been mate with him, and it was on that account that I took an interest in the trial, and attended as I did others; I am not employed either directly or indirectly by Mr. Valentine; I am in the habit of going to see Mr. Valentine still; my uncle keeps a store next door to him, and I visit one place as often as another; I saw Mr. Willis first in Mr. Valentine's office; I saw him several times there; Mr. Valentine never told me that; there had been any difficulty between him and Willis; the conversation I had with Willis was near Pier No. 13 or No. 14 in South-street.

Q.—How long did the conversation continue? A.—About 15 or 20 minutes.

Q.—Did you report the conversation? A.—I did not, Sir.

Q.—Was Willis very angry? A.—Not particularly—he appeared vexed.

Q.—At what? Q.—I don't know, or did not at that time.

Q.—When did you first tell Mr. Valentine? A.—I don't know as I ever told him.

Q.—Have you ever had any conversation with Mr. V. about the Slave-trade? A.—I never had, except when I commenced it.

Adam P. Fonte, for the defence, sworn—I am one of the firm of Fonte, Fonte & Gein, shipping notaries, and I reside in Tenth-street; I know the witness, James Willis, but I did not know his name before I read the trial of Capt. Smith; I have no personal acquaintance with him, but have known him for several years; I do not know that I was present when he shipped as mate of the *Julia Moulton*; I never he did ship as her mate; I recollect of his calling for his advances; I was in the office after he had shipped; I refused to give it to him without he gave security that he would go in the vessel; I was not present when the advance wages were paid afterwards; they were paid by our cashier when I was out; I returned in the afternoon and found the money was paid; the cashier is since deceased; he died about two months since; I never saw Willis and Mr. Valentine in my office together; I never handed to Mr. Valentine in my office $50, or any other sum, as advance wages to Willis, nor did he receive any such money from me and pay it to Willis, nor leave the office with Willis with the intention of so doing; I never have we done any other business for them; I have seen Mr. Valentine in my office several times; I never recollect of his being there but once before the *Julia Moulton* sailed, and that was several years before; I never saw him there just before her sailing; Willis refused to go in the *Moulton* unless I paid him the advance money.

Charles T. McMenamin, for the defence, sworn—I reside in this City, and am Clerk of the Board of Councilmen; I know Mr. C. Valentine; I am not acquainted with the witness, Willis; I know his person; I was present once when Mr. Willis desired Mr. Valentine to be security for him; it was in February, 1854, in Water-street; Mr. Valentine and I were walking together in Water-street, and met Mr. Willis, when Willis asked of him (Mr. Valentine) if he would go security for his (Willis) advance wages, and go to Fonte, Fonte & Co.'s to do so; Mr. Valentine said he could not do so,—that it would be violating his copartnership agreement; Mr. Willis said something about his not being able to get his clothes if he did not get his advance; Mr. Valentine told him to get the captain—that he would not do it; that was all that was said, I believe; we then separated; Mr. Valentine and myself going on towards Fulton-market; this occurred on a Saturday—I think the 11th of February.

Cross-examined—I have seen Mr. Willis before, in Mr. Valentine's office; I am in the habit of going there frequently; I have seen Mr. Valentine at his house; I know Mr. Valentine's father, and have known him five or six years; his occupation is Clerk of the Common Council; I have been Clerk of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, and afterwards of the Board of Councilmen, since January, 1853; I have been intimate with Mr. Valentine; I do not know that I ever spoke to Willis, but I do not say I have not.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

COURT CALENDAR—Thursday.

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Common Pleas.—*Part I.*—Nos. 242 to 253, 216. *Part II.*—Nos. 114, 157, 226 to 228, 230 to 232, 236 to 238, 240, 241.

Decision in Admiralty.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

Before Judge Betts.

COLLISION ON THE NORTH RIVER—LOOKOUT—PRESUMPTION OF FAULT—WEIGHT OF EVIDENCE.

Lovett R. Mellen et al. vs. The Schooner Charles Henry. Elisha S. Ruckette et al. vs. The Steamboat South America.—These were cross suits brought by the respective owners of the steamboat *South America* and the schooner *Charles Henry*, to recover the damages occasioned by a collision between the two vessels which happened at about 12 o'clock on the night of Sept. 17, 1854, on the west side of the Hudson River, just below Butter Hill. The steamboat was bound from Hudson to New-York with passengers and freight. The schooner was bound up the river to a port beyond Newburg. The night was clear and starlight, and objects could be discovered at a considerable distance. The wind was a little east of south, blowing from four to six knots an hour. There was a conflict of evidence as to the state of the tide.

On board the *South America* there was no one forward but the pilot, who was at the wheel. On board the schooner the mate was at the helm, and the captain and a hand were forward on the starboard side on the look-out.

The evidence given on either side was much of it in direct contradiction, as to the course of the two vessels. The pilot of the steamer testified that he was about half a mile above Butter Hill when he first saw the schooner coming up the river, being then about two miles off, and he should judge she was not far from the middle of the river. That he did not change his course until after the collision; that he did not see the schooner when she changed her course, but that at some time after he saw her from half a mile above Butter Hill, he saw she had changed her course, and was then headed for the steamer and about a quarter of a mile off; that he held his course along from one to two hundred feet distant from the base of Butter Hill, and did not change it until the collision took place, though just before it he slowed and stopped. Two passengers on board the steamer also testified that they saw the schooner coming up about the middle of the river.

The three men on the deck of the schooner, on the other hand, testified that the schooner crossed the river to the west shore at about Magaspie Point, in order to keep up the west shore, as is the custom for sailing vessels going up the river there with a southerly wind and an ebb tide; that soon after they got on the west shore, they saw the lights of the steamer above Butter Hill, that did not alter their course, but kept up the river within a few hundred feet of the shore, and maintained that course until just before the collision, when the steamer shoaled to the west, and then, to avoid the collision, the schooner luffed; but the shock did the half were not sufficient to prevent it.

The witness of the schooner stated the "lookout" [illegible]

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New-York Daily Times

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, FEB. 8, 1855.

Congressional.

The House of Representatives, yesterday passed the Texas Debt bill, with the important amendment of Mr. George W. Jones, of Tennessee, reducing the indemnity to the creditors to $5,000,000, being the principal, accrued interest, and present market worth of the $5,000,000 Public Stock reserved for this object under the Compromise measures of 1850.

Mr. Hoffman, of the Ways and Means Committee, succeeded in getting a test vote to go into Committee of the Whole on his proposed amendment of the Tariff—Yeas 104, Nays 97. But on going into Committee, the House decided by another close vote to take up a different bill, which virtually negatived the previous proposition.

In the Senate, nothing of general interest was done.

The Danish Sound Dues.

Nearly twenty-nine years have elapsed since the General Convention of friendship, commerce and navigation, between the United States and the King of Denmark, was agreed upon by our then Secretary of State, the illustrious and patriotic Clay, and Mr. Pedersen, the Danish Minister.

The only reference which has ever been made by the United States and the King of Denmark to the Sound Dues, which are exacted from all Nations trading in the Baltic, through the Sound and the Two Belts, is contained in Article 5 of that Convention, and is as follows:

"Neither the vessels of the United States nor their cargoes shall, when they pass the Sound or the Belts, pay higher or other duties than those which the or may be paid by the most favored nation."

The House of Representatives has recently passed a resolution, authorizing the President to give notice for terminating commercial treaties, in cases where there is a provision for such notice, with such States, as, in his opinion, manifest illiberality in their commercial intercourse with the United States.

The Convention with Denmark contains the usual clause providing for its continuance for ten years, and further, until the end of one year after notice given of an intention to terminate it; and the object of this resolution is understood to be, the termination of the Danish Convention, with a view to the abrogation of the Sound Dues therein referred to.

As negotiations will probably ensue on this subject, it may not be uninteresting to glance at the origin and history of the Sound Dues.

The Baltic Sea, which drains nearly one-fifth of all Europe, and bears on its surface the largest amount of shipping of any inland sea, has for its sole communication with the open ocean the narrow sound at the little Danish town of Elsinore, and the Two Belts, straits so called to the south of the Island of Zealand. As a general rule, however, all shipping going to and from the Baltic is compelled by the Danish Government to pass through the sound.

Adjacent to Elsinore and commanding the entrance to the Baltic by the Sound is the castle of Cronberg, a gothic structure of great strength and beauty, built by Frederick II., and renowned in its architectural proportions, one of the finest in Europe.

All ships, vessels of war excepted, passing to and from the Baltic Sea, are obliged to salute this castle when they arrive abreast of it, by lowering one of their sails, usually for the space of five minutes, by way, it is presumed, of recognizing the sovereignty of Denmark in these waters. A very idle and absurd requisition in this practical age. But what is of more importance, and gives consequence to this subject, they have also, before they are allowed to proceed, to pay certain dues to the Danish Government at Elsinore, which are regulated by treaties which have been made between Denmark and the different European powers to that effect.

The origin of this extraordinary tribute thus exacted by Denmark, and acquiesced in by Europe, and submitted to by the United States upon her entrance into the family of nations, has been differently explained.

By English writers it is said to have originated in an agreement between the King of Denmark and the celebrated Hanseatic League, composed originally of all the great commercial cities on the shores of the Baltic; by which the former agreed to construct light-houses, beacons, &c., along the Cattegat, and the latter to pay duty for the same. Thus, as respected the commerce of other nations, the custom and agreement of the Hanse Towns ripened into a general law, and the general authority of Europe subsequently ratified it. The earliest treaty of the Hanse Towns with Denmark on this subject bears date in 1368, and the earliest English treaty in 1450. If this, however, be the true explanation of the origin of these Sound Dues, their amount is grossly disproportioned to the services for which they are exacted.

The amount spent in lighthouses, landmarks, &c., on the Danish and Swedish shores, and in the waters of the Cattegat, must be very trifling; while the Sound dues received by Denmark amount to about two millions of dollars annually.

According to the Danish public jurists, the sovereignty exercised by Denmark over the Sound and the two Belts, rests upon an immemorial custom, which has grown into law, and has been sanctioned by the authority of Europe. But the right to exact the Sound dues from the commerce of the world, they do not claim as an equivalent for their expenditures in maintaining and preserving in security the navigation of the Sound. It is regarded as the outward and original manifestation of Denmark over the coasts on both sides of the Sound. And they claim that in ceding the Province of Scania to Sweden, and thus losing their sovereignty on the north side of the Sound, they did not cede, or lose this incident to their former complete territorial sovereignty.

This position, however satisfactory it may seem to the Danish jurists, under the influence of local and patriotic feelings, and however long acquiesced in, is certainly quite untenable, if the law of nations is to be applied in this particular case.

The Sublime Porte, with a much better grace and superior justice, might exact tolls from all vessels passing to and from the Black Sea, if this doctrine of incidents to territorial sovereignty be a sound one: for he has actually, and not fictitiously, sovereignty on both coasts of the Straits of the Bosphorus. And as to benefits conferred upon commerce, the expenditures of Turkey on the Bosphorus are probably quite equal to those of Denmark on the Sound.

Indeed, if this doctrine be seriously asserted, England, in a liberal construction of it, would perhaps not be deemed guilty of a very *great extravagance, should she unite with* Morocco in levying black mail upon all the shipping passing through the Straits of Gibraltar.

The truth is, the claim of Denmark rests upon no solid foundation of international law, but has survived, like many other privileges, individual and national, after the local and accidental circumstances which gave it birth have ceased to exist. And having been immemorially enjoyed and acquiesced in, it cannot now be justly set aside without fair compensation.

The Danes, it is well known, were celebrated during the Middle Ages for their piratical excursions on the shores of the Continent, and the coasts of the British Isles; and, to hazard a conjecture, this matter of the Sound Dues may be a fragment of their general system of piracy and plunder, which survived when advancing civilization swept away that system. Thus the descendants of Hengist and Horsa, who exercised an usurped dominion over British soil in the fifth century, still continue to levy tribute on British commerce, in the nineteenth.

The number of vessels which pass the Sound at Elsinore annually varies from ten to thirteen thousand.

In numbers, in the year 1837, Great Britain occupied the first rank; Russia the second, Norway the third, Denmark the fourth,—the Sound Dues being exacted from her own vessels equally with those of other nations,—Sweden the fifth, and the United States the eleventh. What the ratio is at the present time, we are unable to state, but in all probability the United States occupy a much higher rank than in 1837.

It will be seen from this statement, that Great Britain suffers most from this toll, and next in order are the States in the immediate vicinity of Denmark. And it is worthy of note, that while the United States, which have comparatively so small an interest at stake, are moving to throw off this incubus on the trade of the Baltic, other States to whom it is a matter of very great moment, notwithstanding occasional murmurs, take no measures to remove it.

There is this difference, however, if it be a difference, in the position of the states of Europe and these United States; that while the former have positively stipulated to submit to these exactions; the latter, although they have submitted, have never made any positive and affirmative contract to do so.

What action the Executive proposes to take, after abrogating our Convention with Denmark to free our commerce from this burden, we are at a loss to conjecture. Certainly we cannot accuse Denmark of any particular illiberality towards us; for she has lived up to the very letter of the Convention of 1826, and exacts no more from our commerce than from that of the most favored nation.

We cannot for one moment imagine that our Government proposes to resist the payment of these dues by force. Whether right or wrong in their inception, they now form a franchise and a species of property, which, having been, and still being recognized by all Europe, we would be no more justified in invading than in invading the long-established and well-settled kingdom of any Prince or Potentate, on the ground that it was originally acquired by force or fraud.

What the Dutch did in 1649—to wit, purchased the total exemption of their commerce from the sound dues, by the payment of a round sum in money, is probably what our Government contemplates doing now. Or, perhaps, in lieu of money, the King of Denmark would be willing to accept some special privilege in the trade of his kingdom with us, in exchange for the relinquishment of these duties.

However it may be accomplished, so it be with honor to the United States and justice to Denmark, we shall be rejoiced to see the end of these absurd acts of homage and burdensome Sound dues.

Powerless for Postage Reforms.

BALTIMORE, Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1855.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

The evening edition of the NEW-YORK TIMES should be served to Baltimoreans at the next morning's breakfast, if any dependence could be placed upon the [mis]management of our Post-Office. But the times are sadly "out of joint." This morning I am in receipt of your edition of Saturday; so it would appear that though there are three trains daily from New-York to Baltimore, it takes the TIMES from Saturday till Sunday to reach the reading public of Baltimore. Having had sad experience of the bungling at our Post-Office here, I cannot with justice complain of neglect at your office, and am convinced the whole fault lies in this city. But as complaints here do not seem of much avail, be kind enough to aid your Baltimore subscribers by appealing through your columns to the "powers that be" to regulate and amend the present awkward condition of things. S.

We doubt if any "powers" there "be." There are positions enough in the Post-Office, salaries enough paid to incumbents of those positions, and power enough to pounce down upon any unfortunate who ventures to attempt putting mails through in season to their destination; but as for power to straighten out our crooked routes and quicken laggard postmen, we do not deceive ourselves with believing in it at all. "S." feels sadly because his TIMES is three days in getting to Baltimore! He should bless his stars for that expedition. Many another man does not enjoy so great. Why, it takes a day to get a letter from New-York to Brooklyn; and if we, being a mile up town, trust it altogether to Branch Post-Offices and United States Mails, it takes three—one to get it from the Branch to the General Office, one to get it over the ferry, and one to deliver it. Why, there is not a village in our State, we will presume, so miserably unprovided with mail carriage facilities as is New-York. If we wish to-day to get a letter to our neighbor, who sits even now at his office-window just across the Park, and we drop it into the City delivery box, prepaying it as by law required, with extraordinary fortune he might get it to-morrow—with ordinary luck, the next day would put it "safely" in his hands. Now, *the "powers" that were supposed to "be"* have been invoked, but, like the old oracles, they are all dumb. The *positions*, though full of men and clerks, are entirely empty of powers. If into the Post-Office Department some gigantic "Mayor Wood" could stalk, to sweep out the litter and rubbish, purge out offenders, boldly cut off the limbs and regenerate the whole system, that "system" might cease to be a disgrace to our "advanced civilization," and a constant denial of our professions.

Land Ahead.

Congress draws near to its end. Twenty-one days only are left it to work in, and of these there are mortgages taken for resolutions, special orders and the like, still further reducing the number left for the great burden of the country's legislation to be borne over in safety. We have all been waiting and wondering when the work would begin,—like that innocent Jonathan who sat out half an evening of one of Ole Bull's violin concerts, listening patiently for what he supposed was the tuning of the fiddle, to end, and the concert to "start;" and with us as with him it is pretty nearly over before we discover that we have got almost all that we have paid for or had a right to expect.

Not, by any means, that Congress has been at its legitimate work in earnest or made much progress in the needed legislation. But it has done a very large share of its usual work. It has talked—talked—talked—Buncombe into an earache and the watchful public into a profound slumber. It has got up some scenes and given the galleries opportunity to hear one honorable gentleman give the other the lie. It has done what it could towards relieving indisted members of surplus patriotism, and helped some others to define their positions. It has cost the newspapers a mint of money to telegraph its inaction and the reasons it gave for all it did not do, and afforded facilities to gentlemen to discuss together the mischief that was wrought at the last session and study the strange signs of new and unexpected times. This is a good deal for so dignified a body to have done, and if it does not forget to pass the usual Appropriation bills, box off the usual tonnage of books, take its mileage and *per diem*, we think we should be thankful.

Indeed, there are a few matters more that it was to be hoped they would kill or cure before retiring to classic shades and pot-house recapitulations.

There was a project for a Pacific Railroad that we trusted would not utterly fall through, but Heaven help any who hang their hopes of national prosperity upon that unexalted horn for this session. It can hardly afford to wait—but doubtless that is its doom—until a new Congress is installed. The Subterranean Telegraph bill, the House has really passed upon—add that to its credit. But the bill providing a mail line of steamers to Shanghai, the Sandwich Islands and San Francisco, the Emigrant Ship bill, the Vera Cruz and Acapulco Mail Route bill, and the bills that Sam has so pertinaciously lobbied for, have made so little progress as hardly to pay for the trouble of bringing out from their warm quarters in the Committee's desks. It would have been pleasanter to have settled the Homestead bill and the Old Soldiers' Bounty Land bill and the Tariff bill that the Administration is in such a fret to see a law, but little hopes are there that this Congress will wipe off these tedious old problems from the slate. The French Spoliation bill—which, like the shade of an unburied Greek, has been wandering (how many years!) on this side of Styx—is now fairly in old Charon's boat. Pray that Captain Charon Pierce do not find fault with the tender, or turn him back with a veto! The Texas Debt bill really suffers discussion, and its passage is not an impossibility. It would be wild not to anticipate the enactment of the contemplated law increasing the pay of members and judges, for the times are *very* hard, and Washington hotel-keepers cannot decently make any further advances upon their charges for board until it is a law. Army and Navy Reforms, Indian Appropriations, the New Pensions, the Claims' Board and Judiciary Reform, are all fair topics of discussion for another Congress, and some of them are of pressing importance; but there is hardly time left for the Ayes and Nays to be counted on all of them, even though Buncombe should be ejected from the audience-chamber henceforth, and every man should address himself not to the Speaker but to his work, from this day to the 3d of March. For what Congress has thus far done in the way of passing bills we do not feel overburdened with debts of gratitude; but for the free blowing off of steam which might otherwise have exploded, and for the leaving undone of much that it might have done about Utah and Nicolas, and like matters of the mischievous Nebraska breed, we desire to be duly thankful.

Political Leadership in England.

The war of party in the British Parliament, which was all but suspended during the brief and special session in December, has probably been resumed before this, and we may expect speedily to have some account of the new campaign. Already has it been announced, by rumor, that Lord Lyndhurst will lead the van in the House of Lords, and that Mr. Disraeli will head the Opposition in the Commons. Both of these publicists are men of mark and note: they have advanced to high position and great power by talent, industry, boldness and unenviable want of principle. Not even Palmerston himself has been more changeable in politics than Lyndhurst and Disraeli.

Lyndhurst, son of Copley the Painter, was born in Boston before the Revolution. After eminent scholastic success at the English University of Cambridge, he was called to the bar more than half a century ago, and for many years was distinguished—notorious, indeed, for the ultra-liberalism of his political professions. The Tory Government seduced him to their side by high offices, having made *him successively Attorney General and Master* of the Rolls. When that Government broke up, in 1827, he sided with Canning, the new Premier, who made him Lord Chancellor and gave him a Peerage. Three months later saw Canning dead:—Lyndhurst gave in his adhesion to Lord Goderich, the new Premier, and remained in office. Three months after that Goderich resigned his place; not so Lyndhurst who now pledged himself to Wellington, the new Premier, vowing eternal opposition to the Catholics in 1828, and strenuously arguing for their emancipation in 1829. Losing the Chancellorship in 1830, he resumed it (for three months) in 1834–5, again held it in 1841–6, and might have resumed it, under the Derby-Disraeli Ministry of 1852, but declined, thinking that in his 81st year he had need of retirement.

For the last six-and-twenty years, at any rate, whatever his antecedents were, Lyndhurst has been ultra-illiberal. As such he denounced the Irish as "alien in blood, language and religion." As such, during the memorable administration of Lord Melbourne, (1835 to 1841,) he was in the habit of annually winding up the Session by a cutting and sarcastic review of Ministerial overdoings and short-comings,—his speech upon every such occasion being distinguished by what sounded very like eloquence, and certainly had immense influence on the public, not alone from its own power (great as that was,) as from the inability of the leading Ministerialists to answer and refute it. For, at that time, (and even yet,) the Ministerial strength of eloquence was in the Commons and not in the House of Lords. Who could reply to him there? Melbourne, a *pococurante* Premier, who took all things easily, was too careless and too lazy to concentrate his powers (which were great) in reply;—he had passed all his Sessional measures, and did not care what censure could do against them. Cottenham, the Chancellor, was a mere lawyer—the ablest of his time—who almost gloried in his ignorance of politics. Glenelg, who had been clever in his youth, was so dreadfully indolent that to merely answer a letter was a task. Lansdowne never was an orator. Grey, who had been jockied out of his Premiership in 1834, had retired into private life, aged and angry, and made no effort to defend his ex-colleagues. Brougham, excluded from office in 1834, had arrayed himself in a sort of armed neutrality—nominally siding with the Melbournites, and actually "damning them with faint praise." Wellington, almost contemptible as a public speaker, affected to believe that his "duty" *to the Queen was not to attack her Ministers.* And so, in the Lords, there was Lyndhurst's annual scorching denunciation on "the results of the session." Now, in his eighty-third year, the same Lyndhurst resumes his position of Objector-General. This time, however, he times his attack more judiciously—he is to arraign the Ministry at the commencement instead of the close of the Session. A damaging attack it will probably be—its subject being the Aberdeen-Raglan mismanagement of the war. Assuredly, that subject is fruitful in salient points for criticism and censure.

In the Commons, it is understood that a similar course would be pursued by Mr. Disraeli, whose political career resembles Lyndhurst's, in many things—but chiefly in his rapid transition from extreme Radicalism to utter-Toryism. In 1831, when he was foiled in his first attempt to enter Parliament, it was as an extreme Radical, (advocating annual Parliaments and universal suffrage,) and recommended by Hume and endorsed by O'Connell. In 1835, another attempt, (when Peel first became Premier,) Disraeli presented himself as a candidate, on strictly conservative principles and failed. He became a legislator in 1837, and has arisen, as a Conservative, to the leadership of his party. By eloquence of pen and tongue, this man has become a magnate in the land. Nature, ancestral predilections, education, family connexion, paternal example,—almost everything, were in favor of his becoming emphatically a Man of the People, but the fact that he was unable to enter Parliament as a Radical, and that when he did become a legislator, Sir Robert Peel did not heed his aspirations for office, have forced him into a position antagonistic to his real convictions. Therefore, not only will he lead the attack on the war policy of the Aberdeen Cabinet, but will head "the forlorn hope" of intolerance, as leader of the small but violent in and the large and angry party out of Parliament, who seriously think it wise and necessary that the Penal Laws against the Roman Catholics should be reenacted! More unlikely things have come to pass than that Disraeli should resume office on the "No Popery" cry of the populace. If this should fail, yet has he another string to his bow. The *ex dit*, in well-informed political circles in England, is that whenever Lord John Russell introduces his long-promised and oft-deferred measure for amending the Reform Bill of 1832, Disraeli will move a series of resolutions to carry out that amendment far beyond what the Whig party ever contemplated;—in a word, that he will adopt the principles and contend for the requirements of Chartism; namely, vote by ballot, annual Parliaments, universal suffrage, payment of members, and no property qualification. If he do this, he will enlist on his side most of the working classes of the British Empire. Anomalous enough it may appear, no doubt, to have a statesman supported by the "No Popery" party of Ireland and the Chartists of England and Scotland, but it is not improbable that such may be the case before many weeks elapse.

While we have thus indicated the expected policy of Lyndhurst and Disraeli, and reminded our readers of their antecedent conduct and present character, it must be borne in mind that the leadership of the first may not go beyond the War question, while that of the other (in the Commons) will probably extend through the whole session. By virtue *of his position, (as ex-Premier,) his talents,* his experience, his rank and his reputation, the Earl of Derby is the *actual* leader of "Her Majesty's Opposition" in the House of Lords. But the attack on the present Ministry, by Lyndhurst, will not fall through, we may well anticipate, from any want of assistance by Lord Derby, so long and so justly designated "the Hotspur of Debate." There are strong reasons for doubting, however, whether *he*—who strongly supported Catholic Emancipation in 1829 and resisted Chartism in later days—will side with Disraeli's "No Popery" politics and ultra-popular Parliamentary Reform.

The Omnibus Drivers in a Storm.

Yesterday was a day to bring home to the hearts of the people that much abused class (yet little heeding abuse) of citizens who ride on omnibus-boxes, and are always asking you to "Ride up—right away—Broadway." The great lumbering yellow carriage that carries twelve inside has passed the door of thousands—thousands of times like a locomotive whose engineer is concealed, or a ship whose helmsman is out of sight—suggesting never a thought of him who holds the reins and governs its speed. But yesterday, ladies from their upper rooms, where they shivered before glowing fires of Anthracite and Cannel, and gentlemen from their studies and high office-rooms, looked from the driven to the drivers to see how it fared with them in the tough storm.

They looked Roman on their several thrones, wrapped each in his concentric peels—like so many onions—of overcoats, cloaks, shawls and robes of buffalo. Muffled to the throat and above it, jolly red faces shining out from the bundles of dry goods—that were dry before the storm began—and paling the scarlet of their woolen wrappers—they looked as if they had been specially appointed to brave the weather and see it out. In the morning their faces were shaggy with icicles; each particular hair of their beards an icicle. In the evening they looked like the snow men that school-boys make at noon-spells. You could see by the stiff way they carried their heads that the flakes were creeping down one by one underneath the whiskers and inside the woolens. And when at times they set foot upon the reins and put the whip in its stock and whipped their arms, you could see that the wet of melted snow and numbness were working through the shaggy mittens to the bones of their fingers. It was a day to pity drivers in, and, no less, to feel for their poor brutes that slipped and slid along the pavements or came dashing down upon their broad sides. It was told of one poor fellow that he was taken out of his box so badly frozen that he died, and of two or three others that they are not likely to survive. Their exposure is terrible—scarcely less than that of sailors off the coast who sometimes must for days handle only rigging that is twice its usual size for incrusting ice, go footing it aloft on spars that are slippery as glass—reefing, clewing up or shaking out sails that are but broad sheets of ice.

Many kindled together their repentings and made bonfires yesterday of their sins against omnibus-drivers. We growl at them as careless, reckless fellows—never thank one or say a good word for him. We only look up at him to blow him for cutting off our passage across the street,—to emphasize hard words of him for racing or for blocking the carriage way. Nobody looks up and thanks him for not running over his carcass—for turning out to make room for his fat wife to waddle past. Inside, we complain that he stops too soon or too late on our pulling the strap, or in the thickest of the mud, never that he sheers out of it, or halts just at the door,—grumble that he takes only the pillared quarters and gives back only crossed shillings and dubious sixpences,—never thank him for "the change" he makes, and so patiently. Yet he has secrets—secrets locked up in the chambers of his eyes that have seen them—that would terribly mortify some men. He knows what man with jewelled fingers has soiled hands, and what ladies have rips in their gloves, yet never mend them. He and his class do indeed "cuss" beyond the requirements of the law and they have small ideas of the value of extra-official oaths, though none give them greater currency. But doubtless they see very much more to "cuss" at from their elevation than we who see only a rod ahead and around us. They see stupidity on the part of carmen and fancy drivers,—heedlessness on the part of abstracted men, and false motions on the part of timid ladies—well adapted to tempt them to air their vocabulary of rough speeches. Then the clipped shilling weakness is their particular prodi—wrong, of course,—but as worse, probably, than the usurious brokerage of Wall-street, or the wholesale jobbing of men in high legislative station. In weather like this especially, while our first-class storms prevail, we should pity the omnibus driver, and cheer it in his best-beloved way—always give him the right change and never offer a bill, on the honor of a gentleman.

The Presentation to Captain Creesy.

Remarks of Walter R. Jones, President of the Board of Underwriters, on the 3d February, 1855, addressed to Capt. Josiah P. Creesy:

Sir: On your late passage from China when in command of the celebrated ship *Flying Cloud*, with a rich and costly cargo of delicate goods, the total value of which, probably, amounted to a sum between a million and a million and a quarter of dollars, you encountered adverse currents and stormy and foggy weather which carried your ship upon a coral reef, on the 7th of August last, in the China sea, striking with such severity that her bow was raised out of water three or four feet, her shoe taken off her keel, and her keel itself cut through to the bottom planking, causing her to leak badly and to make a great quantity of water.

With a skill that none but a first-rate shipmaster possesses, you soon extricated her from her perilous situation, without cutting away her masts or making any other great sacrifice, which is often done, nominally for the benefit of whom it may concern, proving very frequently, however, to the great detriment of all concerned.

In a very short time you had her afloat, ready to proceed, when the important question arose in your mind where you should go, on the settling of which much then depended.

Again your good judgment manifested itself. The expensive and costly ports in the Straits were near at hand. You determined to avoid them, and no one can say how much you saved to those interested in your valuable ship and cargo; but it is reasonable to suppose that the concerned have been saved at least thirty thousand dollars, and probably much more. In fact, no one can possibly tell the extent of saving with much accuracy; all know it has been very large.

At that time your qualifications as a skilful commander again became manifest, and you seem also to have combined in yourself the talents of the merchant as well as the shipmaster.

After relieving your ship your attention was directed to the next best movement, and in that you rendered us an important service; instead of running your ship into an expensive port, before referred to, where the positive and known charges would have amounted to a very large sum, you examined the condition of the vessel and the means at your command, and although your crew was weak and insufficient, you made up your mind to proceed homeward, and with a leaky ship you left the China seas, and in a very short time thereafter, to the great relief of the Underwriters, you reached this port in safety and with scarcely a damaged package on which a claim could be made upon the Underwriters.

Taking into view the important services you have rendered to the Marine Insurance Companies of this city, by your energetic, prompt, skilful and successful conduct, they have caused a choice and weighty service of plate to be prepared, which I have now the honor, in their name, to present you as a testimonial of their appreciation of your good conduct, so opportunely and satisfactorily rendered on the voyage referred to; and that you may long and successfully live to enjoy it, is, I can assure you, the ardent wish of all the donors.

We also desire to record our testimonial in your favor, and to make known your example, that the timid may be encouraged and the energetic sustained and strengthened in a similar course of conduct, should they meet with similar difficulties; remarking that in avoiding an entry at a port in the Chinese Seas, and the necessity of discharging and reloading your cargo, you have saved the property from charges to a very large amount, your ship from a long detention, and your crew from the hazards of entering a sickly port, all of which it was most desirable for you to avoid, and in doing so you are entitled to our acknowledgements.

CAPTAIN CREESY'S REPLY.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Feb. 5, 1855.

Walter R. Jones, Esq., President of the Board of Underwriters, New-York:

Sir: I have received your favor of the 3d inst., with a copy of your remarks at the recent presentation to me of a service of plate. Throughout the voyage of which you speak in flattering terms, I merely did my duty as a shipmaster according to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Though for this I claim no praise, I am not insensible to the good opinion of the honorable Board which you represent, and I am very far, I trust, from being ungrateful for the beautiful and valuable testimonial with which they have seen fit to honor me.

The sailor, amid the difficulties, dangers and responsibilities of his profession, often feels the need of appreciation and sympathy. These are his best reward and highest encouragement.

From the bottom of my heart I thank you, Sir, and the gentlemen of the Board of Underwriters for your kind words, and rich gift. I shall cherish them while I live, and shall be proud to leave such a legacy to my family.

With great regard, your obedient servant,

(Signed) JOSIAH P. CREESY.

Robbery in a Police Court.

Yesterday morning Dr. Rockwell, the City Resident Physician, had a wallet abstracted from his pocket, containing bank bills and bonds to the amount of $1,500, while standing in the Police Court at the Halls of Justice, in Centre-street. As yet no clue to the offender or the stolen funds has been obtained.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

MORE ABOUT LOCKS—AN ARTICLE CALCULATED to interest the public, is now ready for the manufacturers and pull JONES' ROTATING PERMUTATION PLATE LOCK, (more commonly called "The World's Fair Lock,") having recently been published, the subscribers would inform all persons interested the following notice:—THE WORLD'S FAIR LOCK.

NOTICE.—I have this day sold to Messrs. Stearns & Marvin, manufacturers of Wilder's Patent Salamander Safes, New-York, the patent right of my ROTATING PERMUTATION PLATE LOCK, Commonly called "Jones' Anti-Gunpowder Lock," or, "The World's Fair Lock."

The latter title was acquired in consequence of this Lock being placed on a Safe at the World's Fair, with $1,000 in the Safe, to be the reward of any person who could open the lock.

The gold remained therein for a period of forty-one days, while the visitors got tired of turning the dials with small prospect of success, the number of changes being 47,185,920.

Bankers, jewelers and merchants, who desire to have these Locks upon their doors, can have them by applying to Stearns & Marvin, No. 149 Water-st., who have the exclusive right to manufacture said Locks in the United States. HENRY O. JONES.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 26, 1855.

STEARNS & MARVIN,

Manufacturers to Rich & Co.'s,

No. 144 and 146 Water-st., New-York.

The only makers of "Salamander Safes," on Wilder's and Rich's Patents.

PIANOS AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.—Superior round 6½-octave Pianos for $175, $200 and $225; fully as good as those which cost $500; Pianos of every variety of style, comprising those of ten different manufactories, and among them T. Gilbert & Co.'s premium Melodeon Pianos, and the Horace Waters improved Pianos; second-hand Pianos at great bargains; price from $40 to $125. Pianos to rent. Melodeons of every variety, from five different manufactories, including the well known S. D. and H. W. Smith's melodeons, the best make in the United States, (used in the actual temperate,) all at greatly reduced prices. Music at the reduced rates. HORACE WATERS,

No. 333 Broadway.

DEALERS IN CLOTHING VISITING NEW-YORK this season, are respectfully invited to examine our stock of Spring and Summer clothing, as we feel assured they will find it, from its extent, variety, style and cheapness, well worthy of their consideration. While the disposition of our manufacturing friends has tended to lighten their stocks, we have availed ourselves of the advantage of a low market for goods and labor, to manufacture a much larger stock than we have ever done; which, consequently, we will be enabled to offer at remarkably low prices.

D. DEVLIN & CO., No. 258, 260 and 262 Broadway, corner of Warren-st., New-York.

HERRING'S PATENT CHAMPION FIRE-PROOF Safes, with Hall's patent powder-proof locks, the same that were awarded separate medals at the World's Fair, London, 1851, and World's Fair, New-York, 1853 and '54, and this is the lock and the only powder-proof lock that received a medal at the London World's Fair, though others were on exhibition and now advertised as "World's Fair Locks." The subscriber and his agents are the only persons authorized to make and sell the genuine article, with Hall's patent powder-proof locks.

S. C. HERRING, Green Block, Nos. 128, 130, and 132 Water-st., New-York.

DR. BUSH'S BALSAMIC SYRUP OF WHITE MUSTARD. For Colds, Coughs, Asthma, Hoarseness, difficulty of breathing, pains and soreness of the breast, and a tough mucus in the lungs. In bottles for 25 cents and one dollar. Sold by D. DESBLER, Agent, No. 241 Broadway; BOYD & PAUL, No. 189 Chambers-st., and C. V. CLOKEMEYER & CO., No. 11 Barclay-st.

HYATT'S LIFE BALSAM.—RHEUMATISM IN ITS most painful forms, also scrofula, salt rheum, and the worst cases of diseases of the blood, great debility, liver complaint, kidney's, incipient consumption, and any complaint caused by the great sufferer. Prepared solely by Dr. HYATT, Grand-st. 75 cents per bottle.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY WILL HOLD HIS SEMI-Annual Weekly Auction Sale of Stocks and Bonds THIS DAY at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange. For further particulars see his advertisement in another column. Catalogues can be obtained at the office, No. 4 Broad-st.

DEFIANCE SALAMANDER SAFES.—MORRISON, St. PATRICK & Co. have on hand a few of the celebrated Safes of the above name, which they offer at the lowest possible prices for cash or approved credit. Also, the Patent Powder-proof Locks and other Locks. Safes of all sizes, and locks to fit any Safe, etc., can be had at the Warehouse, 110 Water-st.

PRICE & JONES, WHITE LEAD, BREAKFAST-cocoa was awarded by the Jurors of the Fair, to be the best, and the premium fed Dr. Ure, 128 Fulton-st., supplying their all stock.

RE-ELECTION OF MR. SEWARD.

From the Albany Evening Journal.

Never was there a greater crowd than was convened in the new and beautiful Hall of the Assembly—a Hall much larger than that in which the Commons of England meet. On all seats where spectators ought to sit, and ought not—lobbies, galleries, all that was not within immediate occupancy of the members—was thronged, and the throng were not merely of the citizens of Albany—they were from all parts of the State. Every prominent man who wished success to Gov. SEWARD, and many who did not, were at the Capitol.

There was much more anxiety to know the votes of particular Senators and Members than for the general result, as that was believed to be settled. Of the votes from the Metropolis, Gov. SEWARD received a larger proportion in the House than was expected. In the Senate he had no supporter from the City. And so WILLIAM H. SEWARD receives a money of the Senatorial trust of this great State, extending to 1861—and never did man owe more to another than does Gov. SEWARD to the man who has concentrated on this event his skill and strategy—the power of his Press and the earnestness of a life-skilled sagacity.

From the Courier and Enquirer.

What are the thoughts forced upon the calm and truthful lover of the peace and harmony of the country, and steadfast friend of the compromises of the Constitution, by such a spectacle as this? Who is responsible for this successive detailing of men especially obnoxious to the South to do service in the field of national legislation? Whence comes this unconciliatory spirit, this belligerent attitude? The answer is plain to every Northern observer. There is no possibility of mistaking it. It is the Nebraska bill of the last Session of Congress that has wrought the change. It is useless to argue whether it ought to have done this or not. It is enough that *it has done it*, and that the most discerning men in the country knew and publicly warned Congress, that *it would do it*. The Repeal of the Missouri Compromise cast a fatal blight upon the compromising spirit which took such a deep hold upon the North after the passage of the acts of 1850. It destroyed the very vitality of this spirit, by ruining that confidence in mutual good faith without which all compromises are but a name. It implanted a sense of injury, and from that naturally came resentment and antagonism. Conservatism of the old-fashioned CLAY and WEBSTER stamp lost its influence; and almost every Northern legislature chosen in 1854, was, in respect to the policy to be pursued towards the South, the direct opposite of its predecessor in 1853. Thus it is that these four senatorial elections, so Anti-Southern in their bearings, have been made. Thus it is that Anti-Nebraska elections, if say, are to be made by the Legislatures of Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania, and New-Hampshire. Thus it is that the Legislature of Illinois and the Legislature of Michigan have by formal resolution pronounced a heavy rebuke upon their Senators in Congress, and instructed them to use their efforts to undo their work of mischief. And thus it is that the next Federal House of Representatives will, as is already settled by elections, be not only strongly Anti-Nebraska in sentiment, but will partake of an Anti-Slavery spirit in threefold greater degree than it ever has in all its history before. No more gigantic blunder was ever committed in American legislation, than that of the repeal of the Missouri Compromise by Southern men and those who styled themselves their peculiar friends.

This mistake is the more grievous because it is doubtful whether it can ever be repaired. Even though the Missouri Compromise should be restored in form, how could it regain the moral power it had before? What binding sanction could it have without trust in plighted faith, and how can faith once broken be made whole again? And yet is there any reason to believe that Kansas and Nebraska can be admitted into the Union as new Slave States without an agitation that would shake it to its centre? Kansas, at least, will in all probability apply for admission before the close of the next Congress, and appearances now strongly indicate that it will make that application as a Slave State. If we are to judge of the temper of the next House of Representatives by the character of the Northern men who have been elected to it, such an application will be repelled with a spirit which nothing can bend. This must excite hot anger at the South, and thus our country will be thrown back again into all those fierce sectional animosities which raged with such direful power five years ago. Thus it is that those who forced the Nebraska bill upon the country sowed the wind and will reap the whirlwind. Had the warnings of the great mass of the truly national men of the North, and the counsels of the wisest statesmen of the South—wisest though few—prevailed, all the dark prospect that now hangs upon the future would have been averted. But such, as it now seems, must be the price the country will pay for mistaken and unfaithful legislation.

The Testimony of the North.

From the Evening Post.

Proof of the circumstances which give character and significance to the reelection of Mr. SEWARD as a member of the United States Senate in this—that in the whole course of the animated debate which preceded his election by the New-York Legislature, his Anti-Slavery opinions were not made a ground of objection. Men of all varieties of political opinion took part in the debate—Silver-Gray Whigs, the most zealous of Mr. SEWARD's enemies, and Democrats, Hard and Soft, yet no man opened his mouth to hint that on account of anything that he had done or said in regard to Slavery, or on account of any views he was supposed to entertain on that subject, he could not truly represent the public opinion of the State. No man rose to call him an Abolitionist. If that name, once a word of opprobrium, could have had any effect, either on the members of the Legislature or on the people who were expected to read the debates, it would have been uttered again and again. So far as the Slavery question is concerned, it was tacitly admitted that he had done his duty and fairly represented his constituents.

Another circumstance is worthy of notice. Mr. SEWARD has done nothing which could look like a retreat from the position he has taken on the Slavery question; has said nothing to apologize for any unknown opinion, or explain it away. We do not impute this to his political courage, as some of his friends seem disposed to do. It required no courage to keep his ground. He is a shrewd observer of the indications of public feeling, and he knew very well that *it was not necessary to affect* any moderation, or hold out any expectation that *his course on the Slavery question hereafter would* please the friends of that institution better than it has hitherto done. We do not undertake to say that he would have made any attempt to conciliate public opinion, even if it had been disposed to acquiesce in the repeal of the Missouri Compromise; but we affirm that it would have been the grossest blunder that a politician could have made, if he had said anything that could look like a concession to Slavery, and would infallibly have lost him his election. The truth is that Mr. SEWARD owes the greater part of the popularity which he now enjoys in the Northern States to his course on this question.

The reelection of Mr. SEWARD is one of a series of similar expressions of the feeling of the North. Mr. DURKEE is just elected as United States Senator from Wisconsin—a most remarkable selection, which could not have been made if the popular disgust at the passing of the Kansas and Nebraska act had not been intense. Mr. DURKEE is a man of decided opinions on all questions connected with Slavery, no time-server, and never suspected of any disposition to give way, when the occasion required him to keep his ground. The repeal of the Missouri Compromise has moved the people of Wisconsin deeply, and brought them to look on the Slavery question and the Slave power in the same light in which it has been long looked by Mr. DURKEE; and to show that they completely agree with him, they send him to represent them in the United States Senate.

Massachusetts, in place of Mr. EVERETT, a friend of the Fugitive Slave law, *sends* to the United States Senate General WILSON, its uncompromising enemy, who recently declared publicly his implacable, undying hatred to Slavery. The exchange implies a complete revolution of opinion in Massachusetts—a revolution owing, as everybody knows, to the repeal of the Missouri Compromise.

Dodge, misrepresented in the Senate by CESAR ROMEYN DODGE, who played the Cæsar in disregarding the will of the people, has shown her disapprobation of his course by sending to Washington Mr. HAMLIN, a decided Free-Soiler.

In Mr. PIERCE's own State, New-Hampshire, the Nebraska act has very gloomy for those who planned and helped forward the Nebraska fraud. When the Governor of the State, a Democrat, was called upon, not long since, to fill a vacancy in the United States Senate, instead of giving the commission to one who would sustain that act of the Administration, he conferred it on Mr. WELLS, from whom the friends of Mr. PIERCE had really endeavored to extract an expression of opinion against the measure. The appointment of Mr. WELLS was a concession to the public opinion of New-Hampshire. The Governor might have appointed a thoroughly good Nebraska man, but the people would not have borne it.

Hitherto not a single political movement has been made in the Northern States since the passage of the Nebraska act which does not admonish its authors and friends of the fate that awaits them. There is not a single sign of the times from which they can infer that there is any hope of escaping it. Every successive election shows that the repeal of the Missouri Compromise gave lasting offence to the people of the North. There was no man concerned in it who has not lost their confidence forever. These elections which we chronicle from day to day are so many political executions, consigning them one after another to political death.

How Seward Received the News.

From the Evening Post Washington Correspondent.

The news of SEWARD's reelection quite electrified his friends with joy, and was not so unwelcome to the Democrats as it would have been, if it were not a victory over the future factions of DICKINSON, FILLMORE, and the Know-Nothings. When the intelligence reached the successful candidate, he was sitting in his chair in the Senate, as if nothing unusual had happened; and, while he was undergoing the congratulations of his brother Senators, the only demonstration he made was to take an extra pinch of snuff and turn his sandy, close-shaven head round in his high-starched collar, and give a phlegmatic nod, as if to say, "It is all right, just as I expected. I am used to such things."

From the Commercial Advertiser.

The reelection of Hon. WILLIAM H. SEWARD to the United States Senate, despite the vigorous and determined opposition directed against him, even despite the hostility of the great body of the Know-Nothing organization, is the strongest proof that could possibly have been afforded of the strength and impetus which have been given to the Anti-Slavery sentiment in this State by the repeal of the Missouri Compromise. It is remarked that in the course of the canvass for this Senatorial election, very little has been said in opposition to Mr. SEWARD on the ground of his peculiar views respecting Southern Slavery; he has been attacked on many other points, but this has been comparatively let alone, as if his opponents were conscious that to assail him on this ground would be rather to strengthen than to weaken the number of his friends. There is a deep significance in this view of the subject which cannot be unperceived, and we trust will not be disregarded by sensible and conservative men in all parts of the Union.

It is needless to say that Mr. SEWARD was not our first choice to represent the State of New-York in the Federal Senate; but we concur in his election, as the act of the majority of the New-York Whig party, to which we have always adhered as the only organization from which we can expect the Administration of the Government upon judicious, conservative, and constitutional principles. The abilities of Mr. SEWARD command universal admiration, and although we have not been able to agree with him upon all subjects, we believe that his fidelity to the interests of the State is unquestioned, and unquestionable. His course in the Senate has been moderate, conciliatory, dignified, and has elicited the respect even of those who, by their political opinions as well as by the geographical position of their constituencies, are opposed to him.

Yesterday at Albany.

From the Tribune.

The reelection of Governor SEWARD to the seat he now honors in the American Senate, though rendered morally certain at the polls last November, is yet an event so fit in itself and so auspicious of good for the future, as amply to justify the felicitations of which it has already been the impulse. Before this sheet shall be opened by half its million readers, the glad tidings will have been flashed from State to State, and will have been the theme of lively congratulations by a large proportion of the American people. Those who pretend to regard Governor SEWARD as a *sectional* man, cannot deny that his triumph or defeat was and is a subject of wider and deeper national interest than that of any other Senator now living could have been. On the prairies of Iowa and Minnesota—among the first rude lodges of Kansas and Nebraska—in the gorges of the Sierra Nevada and by the cascades of Oregon—the chances of his reelection have been eagerly canvassed in squatters' cabins and around the watchfires of encamped buffalo-hunters—in whale-ships doubling Cape Horn and by American travelers meeting in Egypt or Palestine. There is no other man remaining in the public service whose personal fortunes excite so wide and lively an interest as do those of Governor SEWARD.

In the present instance, however, the public interest in the result of yesterday's election was based on considerations of far higher than individual concern. The rights of man—the equal and inalienable right of all to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness—to a voice in framing the laws by which, and electing the rulers by whom, they are to be governed—was involved in the struggle now so happily ended at Albany. The advocates of caste based on color, and of caste based on diversities of creed or of birth—different as individuals and as hosts, but animated by a common spirit—were mutually engaged in the work of preventing Gov. SEWARD's reelection. They could not agree that any designated person *should* be chosen Senator, but they could heartily agree that Governor S. *should not* be. Their highest hope was to defeat any election, and leave the State but half represented in the Senate at the opening of the next Congress. They have not succeeded even in rendering the contest ostensibly a serious one. His majority on the first ballot was in either House decisive—there was no Joint Ballot, simply because the emphatic agreement of the two Houses produced the ease in which the law prescribes that none shall be had. The law prescribes the hour of noon of the first Tuesday in February, as that on which each House shall proceed to the choice of a Senator, and by 1 o'clock the whole business was concluded, the nominations of the two Houses compared in Joint Meeting, found to agree, Gov. SEWARD declared reelected, and the two Houses had adjourned, amid the acclamations of enthusiastic thousands, proud of the day's work done for New-York and for Humanity.

We rejoice that there is no room for even a pretence that Gov. SEWARD's reelection has been secured by any shadow of concession on the part of himself or his friends. He stands to-day as unequivocal and decided an antagonist of Slavery and the influences which conspire to empower and diffuse it as he ever was, and none will *even assert* that he has propitiated an enemy or secured a vote *by modifying or seeming to modify the views* hitherto cherished by him on this head which have been so widely and vehemently stigmatized. Though quite a number of those who voted for him, and whose support was indispensable to his success, had been inveigled into "Know-Nothing" lodges, and were thought to be committed and pledged to the most intolerant Nativism, Governor SEWARD has maintained a position of unqualified, unmitigated hostility to that proscriptive dogma. Untrammeled by a pledge, undegraded by even a vote-catching explanation or apology, he is reelected for a term which does not expire till 1861, at which period we may rationally presume that Slavery will have ceased to rule our National Councils, and Nativism will have run its rapid race and died out again as it has repeatedly done ere now. Gov. S., we have no doubt, will, should life and health be vouchsafed him, serve out the term for which he has been reelected, and will discountenance any efforts to make him a candidate meantime for a higher station.

With a new term of six years thus before him, secured by no pledges, won by no solicitations, he has an arena for usefulness and a tenure of service which may well satisfy a generous ambition. If this should be his last public trust, he will not feel, nor should he, that his merits and services have been inadequately appreciated, nor his aspirations baffled. That he will maintain to the last his attitude of devotion to Human Freedom, from whatever quarter assailed, there is no shadow of doubt. And we will leave in the Senate no man who will have done more to clothe its deliberations with dignity and grace the personal relations of its members with unruffled amenity and unaffected urbanity and courtesy than himself.

Indeed, his fault, so far as one may be detected in his past Senatorial career, has been that of too general a deference to the influences which bear away in the tainted atmosphere of the Senate. The vice of the time is Complaisance, and from this vice Gov. SEWARD has not been wholly free. Noisily accused of sacrificing the interests of his constituents by ultraism and fanaticism, his real shortcoming has been the very opposite of that attributed to him. In an age of *overwhelming population*, we cannot remember that he has once denounced in the Senate an act of public robbery. In a body which squanders more public money corruptly and wastefully than any other sixty men in the Republic here ever dared to do, we do not recollect that he has once raised his voice decidedly against the Senatorial stealing, in the way of paying Members for services never performed, allowing them Mileage for journeys never made, and drawing bags of unwrapped public money at the hands of their Clerks, swelling, buying books right and left, and covering up all manner of improper expenditures under false charges for "Fuel, Stationery," &c., &c. Now there is not in the wide world another place where an austerely upright and conscientious man—one who dare be accounted mean and shabby had a paltry, canting demagogue, so that he may save the Treasury from plunder and the People from gross fraud—is so urgently needed as in that very Senate. We will trust that the need will be henceforth less urgent, or that the reelection of Gov. SEWARD will have provided for its satisfaction.

U. S. Senator From New-York.

From the Journal of Commerce.

WM. H. SEWARD, Abolition Whig, has been reelected to the U. S. Senate for six years from the 4th of March next. For particulars, see telegraphic dispatch.

Mr. Seward Reelected.

From the Express.

Mr. SEWARD has been reelected United States Senator on nomination,—having received 18 votes in the Senate, and 69 in the House.

This is 4 more than a Constitutional majority in the House, and 1 more than a like majority in the Senate.

By the declination of Mr. MCGUIRE, an Irish Democratic member from this City, (No. 92 Catharine-street,) we see, if there had been Whig and Know-Nothing strength enough to defeat him, that the whole Roman Catholic organization of the State was to be brought to bear upon the Democratic party, to carry him in. This is natural enough, when we recall such a fact as this—that WM. H. SEWARD, when Governor of the State in 1841, after he had nominated to the Senate such a man as HIRAM ketchum, Judge of the Circuit Court, withdrew the nomination because here, in this City, he had met Archbishop HUGHES before a committee of the Common Council, and in Albany had resisted the subtraction of a large portion of our Free Common School Fund for the exclusive support of Roman Catholic schools and Roman priests.

Tallow candles were flickering in the windows of the *Tribune* office last night in honor of the reelection of "our beloved Senator." Guns were to have been fired in the Park, but somehow or other the powder didn't go off.

The so-called "Democratic-Whig General Committee" met at the Broadway House last evening, and passed resolutions complimentary to the election of WM. H. SEWARD to the United States Senate. There being a prize fight on the *tapis* in another part of the City, we were sorry to hear there was but a sparse attendance.

Our amiable brother of the *Evening Journal*, the good Lord THURLOW, thus breaks out in ecstacy over the success of the great man, at the same time that it excites "Samuel."

Stolen Thunder.

From the Albany Argus.

At the dinner table at Congress Hall yesterday, where a very large number of guests were assembled, the Governor's Private Secretary displayed the big eagle which occupied a page of the *Evening Journal*, just brought into the room. Mr. HOLLIS WHITE, at the other end of the table, was so moved with enthusiasm at the sight of this emblem of victory, that he rose and proposed three cheers for SEWARD, which were given quite heartily, considering the surprise with which the proposition took the company. Mr. GEORGE CLARKE, who, with a dozen or so friends, was dining at another table, instantly arose and proposed three cheers for Mr. DICKINSON; and his party, either from superior lungs or enthusiasm, responded so emphatically as quite to steal the thunder of the SEWARD men. The incident afforded amusement to men of all shades of opinion.

The *Argus* further says:

"The Senator question having been disposed of, office-seekers may now hope to have their cases attended to and be put out of agony soon."

The Albany *Atlas* having taken Mr. MAGUIRE to task for having come to the rescue of Mr. SEWARD, the *Register* says:

"The army of Roman Catholic priests, in attendance from abroad, all intent on promoting Mr. SEWARD's interests, should call upon the *Atlas*, and say it is 'all right.'"

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ **Public Notice.**—BUSHTON, CLARK & CO.'S COD LIVER OIL.—The late firm of BUSHTON, CLARK & CO., being dissolved by the death of Mr. BUSHTON, the only person by the name of Bushton ever connected with the firm, the business will be continued by HEGEMAN, CLARK & CO., surviving partners and sole successors, No. 188, 273 and 311 Broadway; all connection with the store No. 10 Astor House, being discontinued.

The Genuine Cod Liver Oil will be prepared only by us as heretofore. Our Mr. Clark went to New-Foundland to superintend its manufacture, and is the only druggist from the United States who ever went there for that purpose, and as he continues his supervision of that branch of our business we can warrant it pure, and as success depends upon its purity, in particular to see that the name HEGEMAN, CLARK & CO., is over the cork of each bottle, as without it, it is not genuine.

The business will be conducted the same as heretofore, as Mr. Hegeman, although his name has not been prominent in the firm, has been in the establishment 20 years and a member of the firm over 12 years, and had the principal supervision of the business, and no exertion will be spared to secure the satisfaction and interest of our customers.

All the receipts of W. L. Bushton, Bushton & Aspinwall, Bushton & Co., and Bushton, Clark & Co., are in our possession, and will be prepared under Mr. Hegeman's supervision the same as for 20 years past, and their genuineness and quality guaranteed by HEGEMAN, CLARK & CO., Chemists & Druggists, No. 188, 273 & 311 Broadway.

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☞ **Rev. W. H. Milburn**—Chaplain of the House of Representatives, will deliver a Lecture at the Mulberry-st. M. E. Church, near Bleecker-st., on FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 9, at 8 o'clock. *Subject—Ride, Axe and Rifle—Boys, Symbol of Western Life.* Tickets 25 cents. To be had at the door, or at the office of this paper.

☞ **Coughs, Colds, Sore Throat, Hoarseness, Croup and Pain in the Chest,** instantly relieved by Dr. MCCLINTOCK'S COLD AND COUGH MIXTURE, the cheapest and best remedy in the world. Price 25 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists, and by A. CUSHMAN & CO., No. 132 Fulton-st., up stairs.

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☞ **The Sixth Anniversary of the Deposition of the Pope,** and of the Proclamation of the Roman Republic, will take place on FRIDAY, Feb. 9, at the Tabernacle, at 7½ P. M., punctually. It is expected that the meeting will be addressed by Professor FELIX FORNETI, Hon. HENRY WILSON, Revs. J. F. THOMPSON, Hon. J. P. HALE, Revs. J. G. INGRIS, SIGISMUND KAUFMANN, Senator CHASE, M. DE L'ESTRANGE, and others. The three front rows in the gallery will be reserved for ladies, provided these places be occupied prior to the commencement of the proceedings. The public is respectfully invited to attend. Admission free.

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☞ **The First Anniversary of "The Local Preachers' Association of the M. E. Church of New-York and Brooklyn"**—Will be held THIS EVENING in the Methodist Church in 7th-st., near 3d-av. Bishop JANES will preach the sermon. There will be other interesting exercises on the occasion. Services to commence at 7 o'clock. E. HORTON, Secretary.

☞ **New-England Young Men's Association. Lectures.**—The next Lecture will be delivered at Clinton Hall, Astor-place, on FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 9, at 7½ o'clock, by Dr. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES of Boston, Subject—*The Anglo-Saxon Race.* Tickets 25 cents.

F. WILLIS FISHER, M. D., Pres't.

E. W. B. OSGOOD, Secy.

☞ **Mercantile Society Lectures, 1854-5.**—SECOND COURSE—Commencing at 8 o'clock.

Feb. 12—E. S. STORRS, Jr., D. D.—*Work and its Recompense.*

Feb. 19—W. ADAMS, D. D.—*The Model Merchant.*

J. A. BUNTING, Chairman.

PERSONAL.

INFORMATION WANTED respecting WILLIAM MADDOX, a native of Liverpool, England, about forty years of age, and stands about five feet five inches high. Has black hair, full black whiskers, and rather dark complexion. Left three years ago for California, and was last heard from in Nevada Ter. Any information respecting the above person will be gratefully received by his family, and may be communicated to JOHN TEIPPETT & BROTHER, No. 69 William-st., New-York.

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A YOUNG MAN of the commercial or mercantile business, wishes to open a correspondence with a young lady of good education and respectable connections. Address R. E. W. Box No. 123, Holyoke, Mass.

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SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable Protestant Irish woman, as chambermaid and seamstress, or to take care of children. Can procure the best of City references. Please call at No. 194 Washington-st., Brooklyn. Can be seen for two days.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable woman as chambermaid, or to take care of children. Can do plain sewing and knitting. Has been 10 months with her last employers, to whom she refers, and where she can be seen, at No. 13 Sands-st., Brooklyn.

SITUATION WANTED—By three American young girls, (sisters,) one as milliner, one to do general housework or chamber work, and one to take care of children and chamber work in a small family. Apply at No. 13 West 21st-st., or at No. 414 8th-av., New-York.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable young woman as cook and washer and ironer; is a good cook and first rate washer and ironer. Has good city references. Call at No. 251 East 12th-st. for one week.

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THE SIXTH AND LAST LECTURE OF THE COURSE ON THE IMPONDERABLE AGENTS—Before the new national and metropolitan Medical Society, will be delivered by Prof. R. OGDEN DOREMUS, M. D., THIS EVENING, at 7½, at the rooms of the society, No. 672 Broadway (Stuyt.)—Galvanic Electricity, Magnetism, Electro-Magnetism and Magnetic Electricity.

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From the New-York Recorder.

No one who is familiar with his name can enter from the perusal of this his third volume of Portraits, without perceiving that the enthusiasm of youth is tempered by the experience of mature years, and by that expanded scope of observation which he has naturally obtained. We do not stop to say that he has lost the fire and fervor of his style, for that would be to intimate that his great charm has departed. We only accord to him that progressive spirit which is the mark of an earnest and truthful mind, such as we believe him to possess.

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ARREST ON A CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT.—[illegible] Hudson River Railroad, [illegible] who took passage on the Reporter Packet [illegible] elegantly apparelled, and the man never made it known that he intended to use Saratoga only as a stopping place [illegible] Hamilton, broker, of this City, made free use of his money in fetching the servants of the hotel, and was evidently disposed to make his heavy purse so placement as the [illegible] would contribute toward it. The next day (Friday) he, with his bride, made a visit of inspection to the Legislative Halls and other metropolitan public buildings. That evening, however, two policemen from New-York arrived in the late train, in pursuit of the man, who, they said, was charged with embezzlement, taking away merchandising goods under false pretences, to the amount of $10,000. The object of their visit was not known till next morning, when he was arrested and taken back to New-York. His newly made bride accompanied him.—*Albany Argus, Feb. 5.*

MARKET REPORTS.

Weekly Review of the Dry Goods Trade.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1855.

The business of the past week has been chiefly of a little more activity, but not by anything like the usual steadiness. The large sections of lawns brought into the market a greater number of buyers, and there have been opened with rather more freedom, particularly in Domestic Cottons; but this action is attributable to the fact, that purchasers obtained what goods they sought after, at, in most cases, their own price. Any other conduct upon the part of factors would have resulted the sales, as there has appeared among buyers no great eagerness to secure supplies of any kind, unless where unusual inducements, in the shape of low prices, do, have been held out. Prices may, therefore, be considered without any real change for the better. The receipts of goods are moderate; while the general stock is gradually augmenting. These circumstances tend to preclude a scarcity of any importance, especially as the country's wants are likely to be very moderate, and to be very cautiously supplied. This prospect helps to keep up the inactivity which has so long been the most prominent feature of the trade, by inducing a disposition among purchasers to buy only as they are in need. Such prudent action is apt to form one of the principal characteristics of this season's business.

There is a moderate degree of animation and soundness in the market for Brown Sheetings and Shirtings, Shingled Goods and Cotton Flannels are massive and rather inquired. Denims attract rather more attention of jobbing operators. Drills are also a little more inquired for, but are otherwise unchanged. Duck is unquestionably unaltered. Ginghams are dull and heavy. Lawns have not varied much since the earliest sale of the day week, when a catalogue of about 1,000 pieces of Lawns and Mushlin Delaines were sold at a range of from 10½c.@12½c., averaging 10½c.; a large company being in attendance, representative of the trade in every state of the Union. Local dealers bought the largest portion of the cases offered. Omnibuses are still depressed and declining. Printing Cloths are in nominal request at unchanged values. Prints are rather lighter, especially styles worth from 6c.@8c. Stripes and Plaids remain about the same.

Woolens are extremely quiet, notwithstanding the scarcity of the season, which would seem to be enough to stimulate some degree of activity. The fact that it does not tends to demonstrate what we have heretofore stated, that there are large, but distributed throughout the country, which must be consumed in some way before fresh stocks can be ordered hence. Prices are not quoted varying perceptibly from the depression thought to have been entirely confined to the Fall season. Broadcloths are quiet and languid. Cassimeres are in some request at old rates. Cloths, Plaids, Jeans, and Linseys are unchanged in their respective. Mouskin de Laines are abundant, yet though not in active demand, rule pretty firm. Satinets, Kentucky Jeans and Tweeds are essentially unaltered.

Foreign Goods are still sparingly dealt in; but as there is a decided general supply only here, holders evince no uneasiness about the future, and prices of most desirable fabrics are pretty uniform. Cottons and Linens are the most sought after, and are being sold more to the satisfaction of importers. Silks are quoted generally plenty and low in price, yet inactive. The market is quite dull and heavy for nearly all kinds of Woolen Goods. Auction sales here, these few days of unusual extent, and of secondary interest. The few that have taken place have exhibited the same characteristics in the trade in private. The results of sales made in either way are not essentially different, nor do they hold forth much encouragement to dealers. What we have observed up to this time, only confirms us in the belief that this quarter's business is likely to prove very limited and not very profitable.

[illegible] Reported for the N. Y. Daily Times.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 7—6 P. M.

ASHES—And inactive and lengthy at $6 75@6 87½ for Pearls, and $6 50 for Pots ⅌ 100 lbs.

BREADSTUFFS—American Yellow is quite, though trifling offered at $1. ⅌ Bu.

BOOTS AND SHOES—With a pretty well supplied market and a generally limited demand—local dealers only participated buyers—prices are without improvement.

BREAD—The demand is very moderate at old rates, while the general stock is fair.

CANDLES—There is a fair business being done in wax lite, but is wholly unchanged prices. The market is generally quiet.

CHEESE—Being less checked and in steady request, we now quote 8@9 ⅌ lbs.

COAL—We have no important change to notice. There is a good stock in market, but the demand is limited and prices are unaltered.

COCOA—The market is quiet but firm, with a reduced general offering.

COFFEE—The inquiry is not very active, but quotations are unchanged. This day's sales embraced 100 pkgs. Java at 11½c.; 200 bags Rio at 9¾@10c.; 200 Maracaibo at 9¾c.; and 500 do. do. Domingo at 9c. ⅌ lbs. We note a tolerably confined, in our last, a report of an auction sale of 2,000 bags Rio at 9½@10½c., average about 9½c. ⅌ lb.

COPPER—A limited business is being transacted in this article at 27@28c. for Sheathing, 30c. for yellow Metal, and 17@18c. for old do. ⅌ lb.

COTTON—The market is best active but steady, operators being disposed to do little until they get later Mobile advices. We continue our quotations:

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

	Fair	Mid. Fair	Middling	Mid. Orleans
Saturday	[illegible]	7	7	8
Monday	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tuesday	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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FEATHERS—We have no sales or changes in prices to report, which are entirely nominal.

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FLOUR AND MEAL—Grain and Western brands are rather lower, but are unchanged in price. The weather is unfavorable for business; and while the home demand is moderate, the expectation of later European news checks the export inquiry. Prices are unaffected by these circumstances. The day's sales reach only about 3,000 bbls. We quote:

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OILS—Whale and Sperm continue quiet at old quotations. Red Oil is pretty active, at 66c. ⅌ gallon. Palm is rare and worth 9½@10½c. ⅌ lb. About 150 baskets Olive brought $3 42½@$3 50 each. Linseed is very dull and heavy, at 70c.@77c. for whole parcels, and 80c. cash, for small lots, from store, ⅌ gallon. Winter Lard Oil is in fair supply and moderate demand, at 66c.@70c. ⅌ gallon.

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PLASTER—The supply and demand are equally moderate; and prices are unchanged.

POTATOES—Domestic are freely offered, and are in pretty good request within a range of from $2 50@$3 50 ⅌ bbl. Nova Scotia Mercers are obtainable at $1@$1 12½ ⅌ bushel.

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Swine			4,400	

At ALLERTON'S, yesterday, there was an unusual number of cattle, with a good demand, and the advance again held in spite of the weather. The supplies for the week have not arrived yet, but we expect they will come in the same than on last Wednesday. The quality generally was up to the usual average, and the demand [illegible]

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AUCTION SALES.

SPECIAL THIS MORNING AT AUCTION.—BOOK STOCKS.—ALBERT H. NICOLAY will sell THIS DAY, Feb. 8, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Sales-room, [illegible]

PEREMPTORY SALE.—The undersigned will sell [illegible] MONDAY and THURSDAY, the 1st day March, 1855, at 1 o'clock, P. M., at the store No. [illegible] Chatham, Pearl and Roosevelt-sts., Brooklyn, [illegible]

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY SALE.—The undersigned will sell [illegible] MONDAY and THURSDAY, the 1st day March, 1855, at 1 o'clock, P. M., at the Merchants' Exchange, the following described property, viz.: [illegible] Hartford Fire Insurance Company [illegible] Greenwich Fire Insurance Company [illegible] North River Fire Insurance Company [illegible] American Express Company [illegible] Pacific Mail Steamship Company [illegible] Allegheny (Coal) Mining Co., of N. C. [illegible] Chemical Bank [illegible] New-York City 5 per cent. Croton Water Loan [illegible] payable at Mechanics' Bank, quarterly. [illegible] Louisville City Railroad Company [illegible] Bank of the Commonwealth [illegible] Pacific Mail Steamship Company [illegible] Chicago Water Loan. [illegible] Louisville in Jeffersonville 6 per cent. Railroad Bond. [illegible] Terms cash—five per cent. the day, and the balance [illegible] o'clock, to-morrow. The accrued interest on all the bonds will be charged to the purchaser. [illegible] Catalogues ready MONDAY.

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The undersigned has his private sales Catalogue, [illegible] Wall-st.

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W. S. MELLOR, Auctioneer.

BY HOUGHTON & MELLOR.—THIS DAY, (Thursday,) at 10½ o'clock, at the salesroom, No. 112 Nassau-st., [illegible] Furniture, Rich Velvet and Tapestry Carpets, Elegant Chamber Furniture, Fine Mahogany Dining Tables, Sideboards, Chairs, Crockery, Glass, Plate, Cutlery, Kitchen Furniture, Cooking Utensils, Bedding, Mattresses, Feather Beds, Blankets, Quilts, Sheets, Pillows, Bolsters, Pillow Cases, Bedsteads, Bureaus, Washstands, Tables, Chairs, Rocking Chairs, Mirrors, Pictures, Carpets, Oil Cloths, Stoves, Pipes, Tools, Ladders, Ice Chests, Ice Cream Freezers, Tin Ware, Wooden Ware, Brooms, Brushes, Baskets, Boxes, Barrels, Hogsheads, Tubs, Pails, Cedar Ware, Cordage, Rope, Hardware, Cutlery, Guns, Fishing Tackle, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Hats, Caps, Dry Goods, Groceries, Provisions, Liquors, Wines, Cigars, Segars, Tobacco, Snuff, Pipes, Fancy Articles, Toys, Dolls, Jewelry, Watches, Clocks, Gold Pens, Pocket Books, Wallets, Combs, Brushes, Perfumery, Soap, Candles, Oil, Paints, Glass, Putty, Nails, Spikes, Tools, Saws, Axes, Hammers, Chisels, Planes, Augers, Bits, Gimlets, Screws, Hinges, Locks, Knobs, Bolts, Sash Weights, Cords, Tassels, Sash Fastenings, Door Springs, Door Knobs, Door Plates, Door Bells, Door Mats, Door Scrapers, Door Knockers, Door Handles, Door Trimm

New-York Daily Times.

GENERAL NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

No Mail Received Washington, &c.

BALTIMORE, Wednesday, Feb 7.

The New-Orleans papers of Thursday, came to hand this afternoon.

Tonight we have received here no mail South of Washington, the ice in the Potomac River preventing the boat getting up with it.

Col. STRANSHEM, of the U. S. Army, died at Cantonlige, Md., last week.

The North Carolina Legislature has chartered a Company to construct a Canal from Pamlico Sound to the Chesapeake Bay, and received to endorse the Company's bonds to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

The Illinois Legislature—The Railroads, &c.

CHICAGO, Wednesday, Feb. 7—10 P. M.

A resolution instructing the Senators in Congress from this State to advocate the restoration of the Missouri Compromise, passed in the House today, by a vote of Ayes 41, Nays 22.

The Chicago and Mississippi, and the Illinois Central Roads, and the Military Tract, are still hopelessly closed up.

No communication can be had with St. Louis or Springfield.

The Illinois Legislature.

CHICAGO, Tuesday, Feb. 6.

The Legislature has appointed Thursday next, the 8th inst., for the election of a United States Senator.

Anti-Nebraska resolutions have again passed the House by Ayes 38 to Nays 23.

Know-Nothing Victory.

BINGHAMTON, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

The Know-Nothings elected their entire ticket yesterday. The majorities are reported to be large.

Arrest of Counterfeiters.

CLEVELAND, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

On Friday evening Deputy United States Marshal SMITH, and Mr. MORTON, the prosecuting attorney of Mansfield, arrested in Knox and Richland Counties eight bogus money manufacturers, and simultaneously United States Marshal FITCH, of this city, with a party, left for Yellow Creek, and a deputy for Granger, when early on Saturday morning they arrested seven more of the same gang, among them the notorious JIM BROWN.

No Signs of the Steamers.

SANDY HOOK, Wednesday, Feb. 7—Sundown.

The wind is blowing a gale from the N. E.; weather cold, and snowing hard. Nothing has yet been heard of the *Atlantic*, from Liverpool, and the *North Star*, from Aspinwall—both now about due. It is so thick that we cannot see far from the beach, and the sea is so rough that it would be a matter of impossibility to get news from the steamers at this point, should they make their appearance.

The Knoxville at Savannah.

SAVANNAH, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

The steamship *Knoxville* arrived at her anchorage in this port in seventy hours from New-York. She experienced heavy winds on the passage.

The James Adger at Charleston.

CHARLESTON, Tuesday, Feb. 6.

The U. S. Mail steamship *James Adger*, Capt. J. C. TURNER, arrived here at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Damage by the Ice.

ST. LOUIS, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

The ice broke up yesterday, doing much damage to steamboats, barges and coal boats. The steamers *Badger State*, *Arabia*, *Martha No. 2* and *Albatross*, were more or less injured. The loss will be very heavy.

Philadelphia Stock Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

The Money Market is easy. Stocks are firm. Reading, 30½; Morris Canal, 15; Long Island Railroad, 10; Pennsylvania Railroad, 43¾; Pennsylvania Fives, 86¾.

From Columbia, S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Wednesday, Feb. 7.

New-Orleans papers of Saturday have been received here, but they contain nothing new.

Fire at Hyderville, N. J.

CAPTLETON, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

A large fire occurred in Hyderville last night, consuming the Post-Office, a cabinet shop, sash factory, grist mill, &c. The loss is considerable, but is covered by insurance.

Southern Mail Failure.

BALTIMORE, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

We have no mails this morning from points south of Washington.

Death of Michael Spangler.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday, Feb. 7.

MICHAEL SPANGLER, injured by the railroad accident yesterday, died to-day.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Fire in Lafayette-place.

At 20 minutes of 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon a fire broke out in the third story of No. 29 Lafayette-place, owned and occupied by ROBERT L. SWAIN, Esq. The firemen were quickly on the ground, but were unable to work very efficiently, in consequence of extreme cold, the water freezing in the hose almost as fast as taken in. Consequently the fire rapidly spread throughout the third and to the fourth and fifth stories of the building, which were entirely gutted, and their contents destroyed. At 4 o'clock the fire seemed quenched, but shortly after, it broke out again with increased violence, threatening to envelop the buildings on either side. The firemen, despite the disadvantages under which they labored, worked most gallantly. The struggle with the contending element was long and doubtful, but Fire was finally forced to succumb, and at about half-past 7 o'clock, Water completely triumphed, to the great joy of the half frozen and weary firemen, and relief of the anxious neighbors.

The building was very badly damaged—the upper stories being completely "gutted," and the lower apartments flooded with water. The loss on the building sustained, we understand, to about $4,000, and the furniture destroyed by fire or water will amount to about $2,000. The building was valued at $25,000, and is fully insured in the Bowery Insurance Company. The fire is said to have been caused by a defect in one of the heating flues.

Fire in Thirty-Fifth-street.

A wooden tenement in Thirty-fifth-street, near Ninth-avenue, was totally destroyed by fire at about 11 o'clock last night.

Another Fire.

A fire took place in the building corner of Broadway and Tenth-street, about 10 o'clock last night. It was soon extinguished, and but little damage was done.

Concert for the Benefit of the Ragged Schools.

An additional concert, proposed by said get up through the exertions of Mrs. E. WETMORE, and C. H. LLOYD, and F. SCHLOTTER, Esqs., came off last evening in the Stuyvesant Institute, for the benefit of the Ragged Schools. The affair, though the result of short notice and preparation, was a brilliant success, and reflected much credit on the young ladies and gentlemen who volunteered their services for that benevolent purpose. The performance of Mrs. MORRIS, Misses PLATT, FITCH, and WARNEMAENTS, in concert on the piano, elicited much applause. Mr. and Mrs. PHILIP MAYER sang, delightfully to with their usual amount of enthusiasm which they never fail to inspire. The disappointment of Messrs McCARDELL and THOMAS was counteracted with extreme delicacy and taste. That sweet Scotch ballad, "Gloaming" from the Rajah" was exquisitely rendered by Miss THOMAS—the fair enchantress was quite happy in giving truthful expression to that coquettish archness which constitutes the chief charm of that favorite ditty, and was much applauded. The chorus was efficient, and the violin quartettes were choice gems.

The audience was numerous despite the inclemency of the evening. The sum realized by the concert will reach at least $600, which will be distributed among the industrial schools in proportion to the exigency of each.

Visitors from Philadelphia.

Col. S. BELL, Jr., Philadelphia; RICHARD M. BERRY, Councilman of the First Ward; WM. M. POWELL, Councilman of the Third Ward; WM. M. MORAN, Councilman of the Second Ward, called upon the Mayor yesterday and were introduced by Councilman COOWER of the Thirteenth Ward. The above named gentlemen accompanied SAMUEL J. RANDALL, Esq., son of Hon. JOSIAH RANDALL, of Philadelphia, to this City, for the purpose of seeing him embark for Europe. They embraced the opportunity of paying their respects to the Mayor, and expressed their satisfaction at the progress he was making in his efforts of moral and municipal reform and the cooperation he received from all classes of citizens.

The New-York Sketch Club.

On Saturday night last a meeting of this popular Club took place at the residence of Miss JULIA DEAN, (Now Mrs. HAYNE,) in Twenty-ninth-street. The host of the occasion was W. W. FOSDICK, Esq., a near relative of that eminent actress. The subjects for sketches were DRAKE's "Culprit Fay" and "Queen Mab." Messrs. MCLENAN, DALLAS, KYLE, HAGAN, D. C. HITCHCOCK, Miss KYLE, Herr CLEARWORTH, and others, contributed excellent sketches. The meeting was graced by the presence of several ladies, among whom we noticed Miss PHŒBE CARY, the poetess, Mrs. GREATOREX, Mrs. DESPARD, Mrs. JOHN SAVAGE, and Miss EDWINA DEAN.

Self-Conviction of a Policeman.

Yesterday morning a policeman of the Fifth Ward arrested a man for "insulting" him in the street, and brought him before Lieut. MARTIN, at the Station-house. The "star" was laboring under the effects of whisky to such a degree that he could scarcely "navigate," and the Lieutenant, believing the case would receive the attention it deserved at "Head-quarters," at once referred the officer to the Mayor's office. He at once proceeded, as directed, and His Honor observing his intoxicated condition, sent for the Chief, and ordered the immediate suspension of the policeman.

A Serious Fracas between Politicians.

Yesterday morning, a resident of the Thirteenth Ward, named JOHN ORR, came before Mayor, Wood and made a complaint against a policeman for aiding certain parties who assaulted him. Mr. ORR is a prominent politician of the Soft-Shell school, and being at variance with ex-Captain TILLEY, a veteran Hard-Shell, they came in collision opposite the National Theatre, and the former was considerably bruised. It is stated that the ex-Captain and his two sons inflicted violence upon Mr. ORR without the least provocation. The whole matter will be investigated.

A Crazy Man in the Public Streets.

Yesterday morning a crazy individual, named THOS. P. HEALEY, was taken into custody by Officer GIRVIN, of the Sixth Ward, he being in a deranged state of mind. HEALEY is an English gentleman. Captain CARPENTER says this man is quite a literary character, but his mind appears to be completely upset from some cause. For the last week he has been several times at the Chief's office, also to this Station, complaining of some imaginary murder, or mysterious proceedings, all being a design on his life. Until within a day or two he had a room at No. 90 Leonard-street, but by his strange conduct was dispossessed, since which time he has wandered about. Yesterday morning, at 4½ o'clock, he broke the sash of Mr. DELAFIELD'S house, No. 104 Franklin-street, and got in, alarming the inmates very much. His cry when taken was—"The Know-Nothings are after me." How he got there is a mystery, for to get in the rear he had to climb several fences. The poor fellow cut his hands very badly, and also sprained his ankle.

Examinations at the Free Academy.

The usual public examinations are now in progress at the Free Academy. The classes make answers which are creditable to professors, tutors and students. The classes in Moral Philosophy and Classics evidenced abundant proofs of proficiency.

The examinations continue daily, and are open to the public.

Bursting of a Steam-Pipe.

Yesterday morning, about 7½ o'clock, an explosion occurred in the kitchen of THOMPSON'S eating-house, No. 76 Maiden-lane, caused by the bursting of one of the pipes attached to the boiler. ELLEN FITZGERALD and BERNARD MCQUINN, both servants in the place, were badly injured. The necessary medical assistance was soon procured.

☞ This evening, Lieutenant BARTLETT, U. S. N., will deliver a lecture before the American Geographical and Statistical Society, on the important subject of "Lighthouses and their recent improvements." Lieutenant BARTLETT was sent out by our Government to examine the Fresnel system. To illustrate the effects of this system, Washington Square will be illuminated by an apparatus from 7 to 8 o'clock, P. M.

☞ The steamship *Pacific*, after proceeding down the Bay, returned and anchored in Gravesend Bay last night.

Accident and Suicide.

Yesterday morning Coroner Gamble held an inquest at the New-York Hospital, on the body of Bridget Morgan, aged 18 years, born in Ireland, who came to her death by injuries accidentally received by falling from the third story window of house No. 200 Mott-street, on the morning the 4th of February, 1855. Verdict accordingly.

Coroner O'Donnell held an inquest at No. 12 Waverley-place, on the body of Alexandrine Passent, a French milliner, aged 45 years, who committed suicide by taking laudanum. Pecuniary embarrassment is said to have been the cause of her committing the rash act.

Yesterday Coroner O'DONNELL held an inquest at No. 529 Pearl-street, on the body of Mrs. STRAFFEN, aged 45 years, (colored.) The jury rendered a verdict that she "came to her death by exposure and destitution, and we further call the attention of the proper authorities to the dilapidated condition of house No. 529 Pearl-streets as unfit residence for human beings."

SUSPICION OF ROBBERY.—A lad, 15 years of age, named James Muery, was arrested at 5 o'clock yesterday morning on suspicion, he having been found in Stanton-street with a horse and wagon, in the latter of which was ready-made clothing to the amount of about $1,080. This property, it appears, was the proceeds of a burglary recently committed upon the premises No. 290 Bowery. The accused was held for examination by Justice Wood.

(Advertisement.)

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT.—PROFESSOR HOLLOWAY had the honor of being presented to the Emperor of Russia in 1853, and obtaining permission for the sale of this extraordinary ointment in Russia, in consequence of its great efficacy in all skin diseases. It will cure Rheumatism and Scrofula when all other means fail. Sold by all druggists, and at the manufactories, No. 80 Maiden-lane, New-York, and No. 244 Strand, London, at 25 cents, 62½ cents, and $1 per pot.

NEW-JERSEY.

Railroad Accident.

The Continental Express train due at Jersey City yesterday, at 3:30 P. M., did not arrive—it having been detained at Dunkirk. A train subsequently by it was made up at Delaware, (Port Jervis,) which met with an accident last evening, at about 5 o'clock, when seven miles west of Jersey City. There were but two passenger-cars in the train, and the force existing of the front one breaking, the two cars were thrown off the track and the trucks torn from under them. Luckily no one was injured. The passengers—about twenty in number, of whom five or six were ladies—were placed upon the tender of the engine and proceeded to Jersey City. The track was immediately cleared for the passage of other trains.

The Balloon Ascension of Miss Bradley at Easton, Pa.—Her own account of her Perilous Situation.

From the Easton Courier, Feb. 3.

On Thursday morning a week ago the citizens of Easton and vicinity were gratified with a view of one of the finest ascensions of a balloon, perhaps, ever enjoyed by any other community.

Miss LUCRETIA BRADLEY made a balloon ascension from this borough on Thursday a week ago. She ascended from Centre-square, where a large crowd of people had collected during the morning from the town and neighboring country. The day was clear and cold, and the balloon ascended perpendicularly to a height of more than two miles, when it took a southerly direction, and to the great horror of the spectators, a quantity of gas was seen to escape from the top of the balloon, when it veered, and made a sudden descent of from one hundred to two hundred feet. A parachute was, however, formed against the network of the balloon, which conveyed her safely to the earth, and she landed in a large field about three miles from Easton, in the State of New-Jersey. The sight to the crowd below was fearful, and the suspense until her safe arrival in town exceedingly great.

The following is Miss BRADLEY's description of the voyage, which we copy from the Easton *Whig*:

I rose with perfect calmness and great velocity to a height of over two miles, my whole feelings being those of indescribable tranquillity and gratified delight. There was no perceptible breeze until I reached the highest point of my voyage, directly over a bend of the Delaware, when four heavy currents struck my balloon on all sides with equal force. Finding the balloon full, I opened the valve three times in succession, and while letting off the gas as fast as I could, (the balloon at the same time rapidly emptying itself from the mouth,) a very strong under current forcing up into the mouth of the balloon, caused a roaring like the ocean in a heavy storm, followed by a noise like the discharge of a cannon, and a sudden fall of about a hundred feet. I then looked up and saw my balloon all shattered, with the exception of two pieces—one being about one-eighth the size of the balloon—formed a parachute in the top of the net work, and the other a seal at the side, and bore me off eastward. The wind rocked the car violently at the time, and for ten minutes succeeding. Knowing my situation, I had no feeling of fright or anxiety whatever, but tranquilly trusting in that same Almighty Power I ever loved to trust, I prepared myself in the best possible manner I could for my descent, believing I should land safely. I threw out my sand and grappling iron, placed myself firmly in the car in an upright position, my hands extended, clasping the handles on each side. Deliberately looked on all sides and admired the indescribable grandeur and beauty of the scene. I spent ten minutes in singing a song of praise to the Creator of such a scene of beauty and sublime grandeur. Rapidly descending, I landed safely, but with very great force, in the centre of a large clover field, in Still Valley, N. J., four miles from Easton, at 11½ o'clock A. M., having been up just half an hour, twenty minutes of which was after the bursting of the balloon.

Miss BRADLEY is from New-London, Conn., and not from Philadelphia, as stated in the papers which have noticed her ascension. It was her first adventure of the kind, and she exhibited a nerve and self-possession not often found in her sex. Although not one of the most beautiful when on *terra firma*, it was remarked by many that when she cut the rope, dressed as she was in her hippodrome costume, with a French crown cap, white feather, encircled with a wreath of green and white flowers, she looked like a fairy.

The Beginning of Mormonism.

From the Albany Evening Journal, July 21.

Twenty-eight years ago JOE SMITH, the founder of this sect, and HARRIS, his first convert, applied to the senior editor of the *Journal*, then residing in Rochester, to print his *Book of Mormon*, then just transcribed from the *Golden Bible*, which JOE had found in the cleft of a rock to which he had been guided by a vision.

We attempted to read the first chapter, but it seemed such unintelligible jargon that it was thrown aside. JOE was a tavern idler in the village of Palmyra. HARRIS, who offered to pay for the printing, was a substantial farmer. Disgusted with what we considered a "weak invention" of an impostor, and not caring to strip HARRIS of his hard earnings, the proposition was declined.

The manuscript was taken to another printing office across the street, from whence, in due time, the original "Mormon Bible" made its advent."

"Tall trees from little acorns grow."

But who would have anticipated from such a bald, shallow, senseless imposition, such world-wide consequences? To remember and contrast JOE SMITH, with his loafer-look, pretending to read from a miraculous slate-stone placed in his hat, with the Mormonism of the present day, awakens thoughts alike painful and mortifying. There is no limit, even in this most enlightened of all ages of knowledge, to the influence of imposture and credulity. If knaves, or even fools, invent creeds, nothing is too monstrous for belief. Nor does the fact—a fact not denied or disguised—that all the Mormon leaders are rascals as well as impostors, either open the eyes of their dupes or arrest the progress of delusion.

The Double Baby at Lancaster.

We stated a few days since that a strange case of malformation had occurred at Lancaster, in this State, and promised a more full description of the curious production, which we hoped to gain at the hands of some of our medical friends. As they, however, from some cause or other, do not incline to do it, we have put some of them under cross-examination, and intend to embody in our own language what we have learned. Our friend, Prof. N. T. MARSHALL, of the Medical College of Ohio, and perhaps others of the city, have seen the prodigy, which is, without doubt, one of the most remarkable freaks of nature known to science or recorded in history. The February number of the *Western Lancet*, published in this city, will contain, as we are informed, a full scientific description of the wonder.

From the lower extremity of the breast-bone—where the junction of the two bodies takes place—upward, there are the upper parts of two perfect and well-developed infants—two heads, two pairs of arms, two chests, two stomachs, two hearts, two pairs of lungs, and two livers. From the same point downward, the blending of the two systems into one becomes more and more intimate, until it seems almost perfect and complete. The intestines, and all the lower organs, are in common with common terminii, and the legs made up of the right leg of one and the left leg of the other are a pair, standing in the proper position relative to each other and the organs in their vicinity. In the rear, however, the union is less perfect, there being two well-developed spines, each terminating in a separate *os coccygis*; and what is peculiarly strange, the two inner legs, dislocated at the hip joints, are thrown backward and upward, and joined together, are found passing under the true skin of the back of the body upon the right, the feet being extricated and standing up heel to heel, nearly in its face.

The child is a female, with apparently a perfect sexual organization. The bodies do not exactly face each other, but are more nearly face-to-face than side-to-side. One is apparently somewhat more robust than the other, and it is evident that in many of the characteristics of their constitutions they are different. As one is capable of suffering while the other is unconscious of pain, it follows that their nervous systems are several, from which it is, we suppose, to be inferred that, in case they should survive, each will possess a character and individuality of its own.

This strange phenomenon is the offspring of respectable parents at Lancaster. Although delicate, it is thought the chances are in favor of its surviving. The case is in the hands of Dr. BONSTEEL, one of the oldest physicians in the State, whose skill in its treatment is spoken of in terms of high commendation.—*Cincinnati Commercial.*

Appointments by the Governor—Jan. 31.

By and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.—*Allegany*—Jared H. Parmelee, Wellsville. *Erie*—Cyrus P. Lee, Buffalo. *Wayne*—Benson V. B. Westbrook, Lyons. *Monroe*—William E. Osborn, Stephen D. Phelps, Tracy R. Morgan, of Rochester. *Ontario*—Stephen B. Hammond, Henry V. Bunting, Jr., Parnell, of Westerton. *Albany*—John F. Bender, Leonard Pine, Albany. *Otsego*—Andrew J. Latshaw, Hampton. *Steuben*—Henry B. Hill, Cato.

Emigration to Canada, in 1854.

From the report of Dr. DOUGLAS, Medical Superintendent of the Government Emigration Depôt at Grosse Isle, thirty miles below Quebec, it appears that 277 vessels had arrived there during the period the navigation of the St. Lawrence was open in 1854. They left Europe with 50,091 passengers. Of these, 512, including two females in childbirth, died on the voyage, and 113 children were born. Of the deaths, 347 were infants, and a large majority of the remainder were aged persons of both sexes, 10,164 of the whole number embarked at Liverpool in thirty-five vessels. The mortality among these was 205, or upwards of 2 per cent. The mortality in all the other vessels was seven-tenths of one in each hundred. The great mortality in vessels sailing from Liverpool is attributed, by Dr. DOUGLAS to the number of persons coming from various parts to take passage there, who, while awaiting the departure of ships, are congregated in lodging-houses, in which, from overcrowding and want of cleanliness, they become infected, and in many cases, diseased before embarking. This was especially the case with agricultural laborers from Germany last year, who, in consequence of the scarcity of vessels, were detained *lengthened periods* at Liverpool before passages were provided for them. They also suffered from a want of knowledge of their language on the part of the captain and crew, and from oppression from the other passengers, who monopolized the cooking-places, and deprived them of the means of preparing their food; whereas, the passengers who came direct from Hamburg and other German ports were remarkably healthy on the voyage and on arrival. In 123 vessels, there was not a single death, nor a case of sickness on arrival. The form of typhus (called ship) fever was not found in any vessel to the St. Lawrence during the year. With the exception of three ships from Limerick that arrived early in May, there was no case of cholera in any vessel that brought emigrants to Canada.

☞ There were but three vacant seats in the two Houses of the Legislature when the vote for Senator was taken yesterday. Senator STORING, we regret to know, is detained at home by severe illness. Mr. STUYVESANT, who went to New-York on Thursday, was too ill to be able to return, as he desired, and record his vote in the House, as he did in Caucus, for Mr. SEWARD. Mr. CAMPBELL, of this County, an upright, earnest Whig, who desired to act with his Whig friends, was one of the few Members on whom the efforts of the Know-Nothings were concentrated. He was beset, day and night, by emissaries of the "Order," who insisted that he was bound to regard his "Obligations." Whether the pressure of this "Infernal Machine" (as the Speaker characterized it,) fettered his actions, we will not undertake to say. We do know that he is an honest man, and if he found himself restrained in the discharge of a public duty, by the exactions of a "Secret Order," good men will be careful hereafter, in taking upon themselves such "obligations."—*Albany Journal, Feb. 7.*

☞ The Know-Nothings have convenient India-rubber sort of obligations which they regard or disregard, according to political circumstances. As against Mr. SEWARD, members of the Order are required to construe their obligations literally, and obey them implicitly. No man is eligible to be voted for by the "Order," until he has been raised to the "Second Degree." This was the "obligation" that Messrs. HEADLEY and LAMPORT called upon their Brethren to remember. But most of them were oblivious. Only four "Know-Nothing" votes were given in accordance with the obligation which declares what manner of men are fit to be voted for. Gov. HUNT is no more a member of the "Order" than Gov. SEWARD. And yet he received the votes of nine members of the "Order," including Mr. LAMPORT.—*Albany Journal, 7th.*

OLD BRUIN SAVED.—The bear that was left on board the ship *Favorite*, when the crew were rescued from the wreck, was subsequently taken off by Capt. MORRIS, of steamer *R. B. Forbes*, and brought to this city to-day. The captain, on approaching the animal, was saluted with a hearty stroke from his paw, but Bruin showed no disposition to defeat the kind intentions of his friends, and allowed himself to be taken to more comfortable quarters on board the steamer.—*Boston Journal.*

ONE THOUSAND POUNDS IN THE GUTTER.—A few evenings since, a passenger by the Midland train from Forfar to Perth, lost a bank check for £1,000, and £70 in notes. The following day a search was made along the line for it, and, on approaching Ardler station, the stoker of one of the passenger trains observed something at the end of the platform that attracted his attention, and, on going back, he found the notes and check rolled together, lying in a gutter.

A CITY IN THE DARK.—On the evening of the 23d ult., while the streets of Stockholm were crowded with the thickest throng, the gaslight, from some hitherto unexplained cause, went suddenly out, leaving the city in perfect darkness, as not only the street lamps but those in the shops and houses were equally affected. The general confusion that ensued was very great, and the pick pockets derived the greatest benefit from the accident.

MARRIED.

In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Feb. 7, at St. Luke's Church, by Rev. Jacob Diller, THEODORE A. WRIGHT to HELEN REED, all of Brooklyn.

DIED.

In this City, on Wednesday morning, Feb. 7, after a short illness, ELIZA, only daughter of Charles L. and Eliza Dos, aged 16 months.

Funeral will take place from their residence, No. 202 West 26th-st., this day, (Thursday,) at 1 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

In this City, on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 7, GEORGE FRANKLIN, youngest son of Thomas and Almira Dugard, aged 2 years and 20 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral, on Sunday, Feb. 11, at 1 o'clock, from the residence of his parents, No. 251 West 37th-st.

In this City, on Tuesday, Feb. 6, ELIZA, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca Reese, aged 3 months and 14 days.

In Brooklyn, on Tuesday, Feb. 6, FREDERICK THOMPKINS, youngest child of George and Ellen F. Mygatt, aged 10 months.

Friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services at their residence, No. 56 Harrison-st., at 4 o'clock, this afternoon. The remains will be taken to New-Haven, for interment, to-morrow.

At Hoboken, on Tuesday, Feb. 6, JOHN VAN BOSKERCK, aged 64 years.

The friends and acquaintances of the family are requested to attend the funeral, without further invitation, from St. Paul's Church, Hoboken, on Thursday, Feb. 8, at 10 A. M.

In Jersey City, on Tuesday, Jan. 6, Mrs. SARAH HETHERINGTON, mother of Samuel Hetherington, in the 81st year of her age.

The friends of the family, and those of her son, are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her late residence, in York-st., between Grove and Henderson, on Thursday, at 10 o'clock M.

In Jersey City, on Tuesday, Feb. 6, ISABELLA, wife of George Kent in the 32d year of her age.

In this City, on Monday, Feb. 5, Mr. BERNARD COLGAN, in the 70th year of his age.

The friends of the family, and also those of his son-in-law, James F. Fagan, are requested to attend his funeral, without further invitation, from his late residence, No. 28 Duane-st., on Thursday, the 8th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

In this City, on Tuesday, Feb. 6, MARY C., wife of Charles H. Wright, aged 22 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, at her late residence, No. 272 Spring-st., on Thursday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, without further invitation.

In Williamsburg, on Monday, Feb. 5, suddenly, Mr. JOHN MUNSON.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Thursday, 8th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., from his late residence, 6th-st., between North 8th and North 9th-sts., Williamsburg. The remains will be taken to Cypress Hills Cemetery, for interment.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

For Markets See Sixth Page.

Sales at the Stock Exchange...FEB. 7.

$6,000 U. S. 6s '67	116¼	200	Nic. Transit Co.		17¾
1,000 U. S. Coup. 6s, '68	117½	1200	do.		17
2,000 Missouri 6s	96	200	do.		17
1,000 Kentucky 6s	102	100	do.		17
3,000 Indiana State 5s	93½	100	do.		17
3,000 Virginia 6s	94½	100	do.		17
4,000 do.	94½	50	do.		17
2,000 North Carolina 6s	96	100	Hudson R. R. R.		30
1,000 Louisiana 6s	90	50	do.		30
3,000 Erie Conv't Bds. '82	84	50	do.		30
40,000 Erie Bds. of '72	88	50	Northern Indiana R.		9
1,000 do.	84½	200	Cumberland Coal Co.		2½
11,000 do.	88	100	do.		2½
4,000 Hud. Riv. 1st Mtge 6s	72	100	do.		2½
2,000 Panama Bds. '53 6s	93	100	do.		2½
2,000 Ill. Cen. R.R. bds. 6s	74½	100	do.		2½
500 do.	74½	100	do.		2½
2,000 do.	74½	100	do.		2½
2,000 do.	74½	100	do.		2½
2,000 do.	74½	100	do.		2½
10,000 do.	74½	100	do.		2½
10,000 do.	74½	100	do.		2½
1,000 Ill. Cen. R. New bds.	72	200	do.		2½
3,000 N. Y. Cen. 7s	77½	100	Gold Hill Mine		2
2,000 do.	80	100	New-York Cent. R. R.		90
18,000 do.	80½	100	do.		90
2,000 do.	80	100	do.		90
2,000 N. Y. Cen. R. R. bds.	77½	100	do.		90
2,000 Ind. Bank Bonds, 6s	90	470	Erie Railroad		4
10 Union Bank	117	100	do.		4
10 Del. & Hud. Canal Co.	117	100	do.		4
10 do.	116	100	do.		4
10 Bank of Commerce	109	100	do.		4
10 Am. Exchange Bank	104½	100	do.		4
10 Corn. Ex. Bank	97	100	do.		4
10 Commercial Bank	97	100	do.		4
10 Ohio Life & Trust Co.	6	100	do.		4
100 Canton Co.	34½	100	do.		4
100 do.	34½	100	do.		4
100 do.	34½	100	do.		4
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